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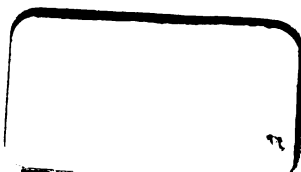


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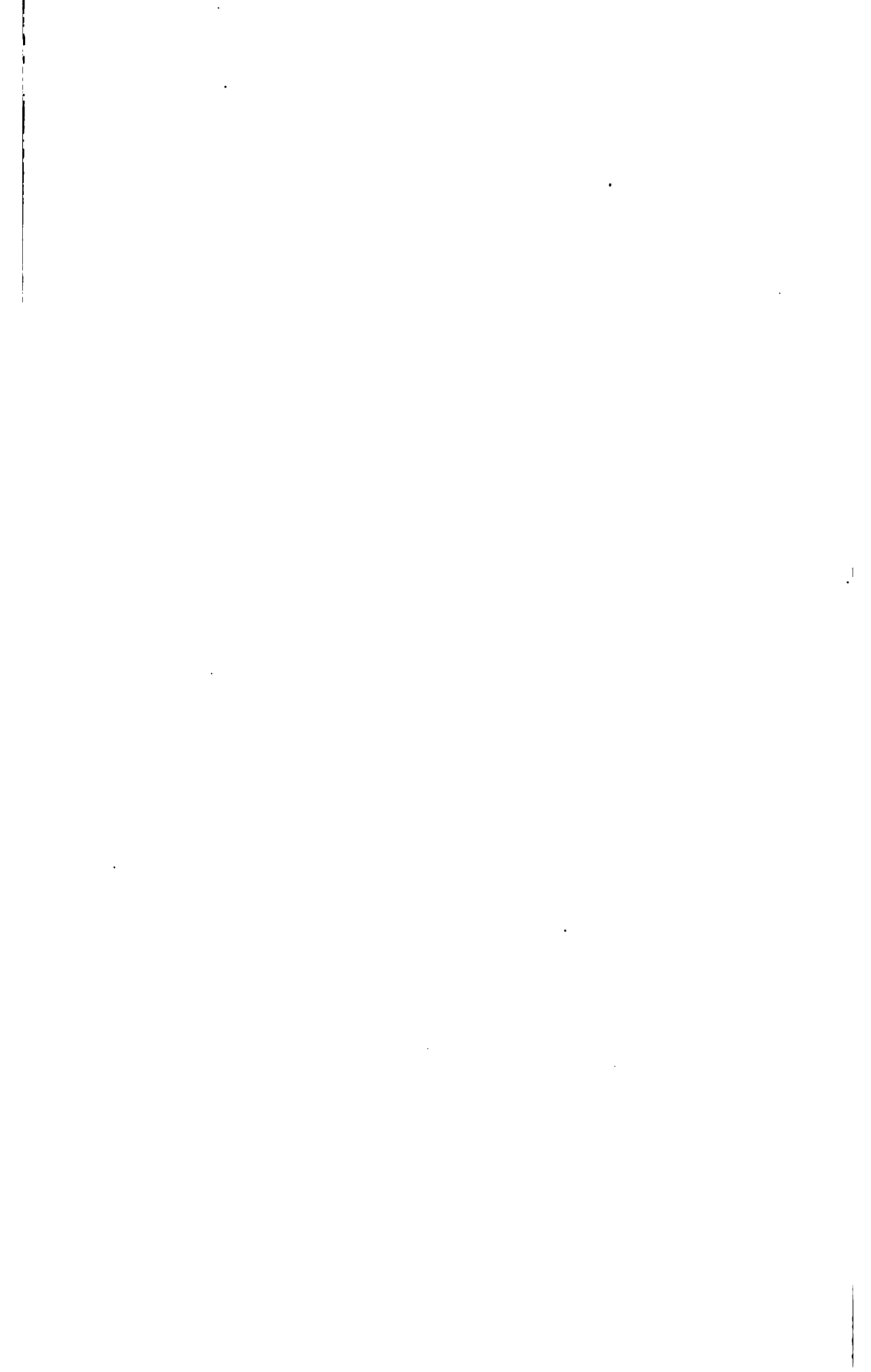
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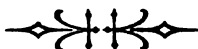


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INTRODUCTION.



1.—The Southampton Record Society.

The present volume is the first publication issued by the Southampton Record Society. This Society was formed four months ago (June, 1905), under the presidency of the Mayor of Southampton, Col. E. Bance, D.L., J.P., and the patronage of many of the leading citizens of the borough, in order to put into print some of the more important and interesting of the ancient documents that are treasured up in the strong room of the Municipal Buildings. The generous support of the Borough Council, which most kindly and promptly voted forty guineas to the new Society, made it possible for the Committee at once to set the printers to work.

It was decided to begin operations by issuing the Court Leet Records, which exist in a continuous, though not unbroken, series dating from A.D. 1550 to the present time. Various considerations led to this decision: the Court Leet Records are complete in themselves; they are remarkably interesting; they present a vivid picture of one aspect—the communal aspect—of municipal life in old Southampton; they contain items of information concerning most of the leading citizens of the town during the whole period which they cover. Few of the borough documents appeal so strongly both to the student of mediæval institutions and to the general reader.

2.—Contents of the Present Volume.

This first instalment of the Records contains transcriptions of the ten books which have survived to the present day from the period 1550-1577. Of course there were books earlier in date than 1550; for the Court Leet is a survival of an institution of immemorial antiquity. One of the earlier books, that of 1547, is actually referred to in an extant document;¹ but all records

¹ Cf. 1561, § 13.

anterior to 1550 are lost. So, unfortunately, are eighteen out of the twenty-eight books written during the years 1550-1577. The wonder, however, is not that so many as eighteen have disappeared, but that so many as ten have passed safely through the eras of contempt and neglect which lie between their day and ours. Some special providence must have saved them from the hands of successive generations of municipal office-boys on the search for something combustible wherewith to light the municipal fires. Perhaps the two books of Edward VI.'s time (1550 and 1551) were treasured because of the importance of their evidence concerning the rights of the burgesses in the Saltmarsh: the "Appeal of the Twelve Men" which closes the book of 1551 shows that they were regarded as specially valuable. Similarly the book of 1566, the third of the extant series, may owe its preservation to the fact that it contains a full account of the regulations concerning the placing of cattle on the common lands of the town. The survival of some others of the books may have been due to causes of the same kind; but for the survival of the great majority it is fairly certain that we have to thank not any human prudence or care, but that inexplicable combination of incalculable causes which we in our ignorance denominate pure chance.

3.—The Court Leet.

The court of whose proceedings these books contain the record is one of great antiquity and of much historical interest. In the later middle ages similar courts covered the face of the country, and every man, in theory at least, came within the jurisdiction of some Leet. The term "Leet" (the origin and meaning of which are uncertain) cannot, it is true, be discovered in any document earlier than the thirteenth century, and the functions of the court as they are found in recorded times seem to have been defined and determined as late as Edward II.'s reign, yet there can be little doubt that the court itself is a relic of those manorial and hundred courts which can be traced through the Plantagenet and Norman periods to the earliest era of the English occupation.

I propose, when all the Southampton Court Leet Records shall have passed through my hands, to write as a supplement to the present series of publications as full and detailed an account of the court as I shall be able, and I hope that it may

be possible by the help of the valuable information contained in the local documents to throw some light on what is undoubtedly an obscure region of English legal history. It may be well, however, for me here and now to mention a few important facts, the knowledge of which is necessary to a proper appreciation of the significance of the records contained in this volume.

The Court Leet met, as it still meets, once a year on the Tuesday next after Hock-Tuesday, that is on the third Tuesday (or twenty-third day) after Easter Sunday. Since Easter Sunday can fall, according to the inscrutable decrees of the ecclesiastical authorities, on any date from March 22nd to April 25th inclusive, it follows that the "Law-day" or day of meeting of the Court Leet varied from April 14th to May 18th.¹

The place of meeting, till the beginning of the seventeenth century, was "Cutthorn," a circular entrenched mound surrounded by trees, situated on the northern limit of the borough boundaries. In 1617 the Guildhall, over the Bargate, became the more usual place of session. All the "resiants" or persons residing, even temporarily, within the precincts of the town, owed suit to the court, unless, as was the case with the clergy, they had received statutory exemption. In Southampton there was a special class of men called "Free Suitors," who were under an additional obligation to attend. They appear to have been the men who held lands or tenements of the town. Their names were, as a rule, entered in the Court Leet Book and read out at the beginning of the session. Both Free Suitors and ordinary resiants who made default were liable to a fine which in the sixteenth century was generally fixed at threepence per head.

The court was presided over by the Mayor, with whom were associated the Aldermen and Discreets or Councillors of the town. To them the presentments were made by a body of

¹ Table of dates for the meetings of the Court recorded in this volume:—

	EASTER SUNDAY.		HOCK-TUESDAY.		COURT LEET DAY.	
1550	..	April 6th	..	April 22nd	..	April 29th
1561	..	March 29th	..	April 14th	..	April 21st
1566	..	April 14th	..	April 30th	..	May 7th
1569	..	April 10th	..	April 26th	..	May 3rd
1571	..	April 15th	..	May 1st	..	May 8th
1573	..	March 22nd	..	April 7th	..	April 14th
1574	..	April 11th	..	April 27th	..	May 4th
1575	..	April 3rd	..	April 19th	..	April 26th
1576	..	April 22nd	..	May 8th	..	May 15th
1577	..	April 7th	..	April 23rd	..	April 30th

jurors, to whom collectively the name of "The Twelve Men" was commonly given, though in point of numbers there were scarcely ever less than fifteen of them. The duties of these jurors were more akin to those of the "grand" than to those of the "petty" jurors of the present day: the "Twelve Men" were witnesses rather than judges.

4.—The Functions of the Court.

The cases which the jurors presented to the consideration of the Mayor and his brethren were divisible into two large classes.

(a) First, there were serious offences, mainly felonies of one kind or another, which the Court had power to enquire into, but which it had not power to punish. Such offences were treason, murder, manslaughter, burglary, robbery, theft, and arson. For punishment those who had committed these crimes had to be sent to the Quarter Sessions or to the Assizes. The records in the present volume contain no examples of cases of this class. We must not therefore assume that crime was unknown in sixteenth century Southampton, but rather that the frequent Petty Sessions of the Justices of the Peace provided a more prompt and effective method of dealing with it.

(b) The second class of cases which came before the Court consisted of those with which it had full competence to deal—powers not only of enquiry, but also of decision, and, if necessary, of punishment. The following were the principal items of this class:—

- (1) **Common Nuisances**, such as encroachments on the public lands, interference with the highways or footpaths, pollution of the air, and offences against sanitary regulations generally.
- (2) **Evil Persons**, whose habits and behaviour threatened danger to the community. Such were haunters of taverns, eavesdroppers, scolds, bawlers, common barrettors, and usurers.
- (3) **Trespasses** of the nature of affrays, bloodshed, riots, and unlawful assemblies, when the public peace was disturbed.
- (4) **Instruments of Justice**—the maintenance of stocks, pillory, and cucking-stool, and, in addition, the pound for cattle.

- (5) **Trade Regulations**, such as the enforcement of uniformity in weights and measures, the maintenance of standard quality of goods, the fixing of prices, the punishment of deceit, the suppression of forestalling, the prevention of combinations of labourers.
- (6) **Unlawful Games**—the suppression among the lower orders of such games as carding, dicing, skittle playing, bowling, and tennis, which were supposed to interfere with the practice of archery and to provide opportunities for conspiracy.
- (7) **Local Bylaws**—the enforcement of regulations concerning cattle on the common, watch and ward, repair of walls, paving of streets, building of houses, and so on.

The penalty which was usually inflicted for breach of statute, bylaw, or order of court was the imposition of a fine, but other penalties such as imprisonment or exposure in the pillory were occasionally resorted to. Where fines were employed the rule, if the usual custom of Court Leets was followed, would be that the Mayor and his brethren would decide on the imposition of the fine, while the jurors, or special "affecters" appointed by them, would fix its amount.

The record of the proceedings each year was made in a Court Leet or Law Day Book. A fresh book, roughly constructed by binding together a dozen or so of double sheets of foolscap paper, was used each time. One would judge from differences in style and writing that as much as possible of the book was written out before the meeting of the court: the title, the lists of the Free Suitors, and some of the earlier and regularly recurring entries are frequently transcribed neatly and even elegantly. The later entries are often almost illegible in their hasty irregularity. A ruled margin of about one inch in width was left, and in this were added such items as an indication of the topic dealt with in the entry, the parish in which persons mentioned dwelt, the penalty imposed on offenders.

5.—Contents of Court Leet Book.

The typical Court Leet Book was arranged as follows :—

- (1) **The Title**, giving date and place of meeting, name of mayor, etc. The Title, as will be seen from a glance at the

facsimile given as a frontispiece to this volume, was written in Latin with many abbreviations. To have represented this *verbatim et literatim* would have required special type; hence in this volume the abbreviations have been extended, and the whole has been printed in current Latin, with a translation appended in a footnote where necessary.

(3) **The List of Free Suitors** in Latin. To the name was added in many cases a statement of the ground of liability to suit. It has not been thought well to insert these in this volume, as they would have occupied much space and would not, save in exceptional cases, have been of general interest.¹

(3) **The Names of the Beadles (Nomina Bidellorum)** appointed for the year. There were two for each of the six parishes or wards into which the town was divided,² and in addition one called "The Alderman of Portswood." This latter commonly held office for a good many successive years: thus one Laurence Bonne is named as Alderman of Portswood in all the extant books from 1571 to 1581 inclusive. The other beadles very rarely did duty for more than one year at a time. They were undistinguished men, so their names have not been transcribed into this volume.

¹ The following are representative entries from the 1566 book—the first in which the list of Free Suitors is given:—

"Johes Capelin pro terr q. [quondam] Ricd Capelin patris sui"
 "Nicholaus Capelin pro terr. q. francisci Fleming Militia."
 "Heredes Thome Wells pro ter q. monasterii de Netley."
 "Johes Aunde p ter q. Windovers et postea Stephena."

In later books the entries tend to become fuller. For example, in a series of successive records beginning 1573:—

"Petrus Janverin pro uno messuagio sive magno tenemento vel hospicio vocat. le Starr cum pertinent. ac gardin. ac vacua placea terr. nup. monastar. Sancti Dolis in dicto com. Sutht."

It is in some cases possible by means of these entries to trace the descent of property from one holder to another, though it is not often possible to discover, as it is in the entry just quoted, what particular property is referred to. Thus—

1566. "Franciscus Dawtrie Miles."
 1571. "Heredes francisci Dawtrie militis modo Ricus Knighte."
 1573. "Ricus Knight pro terr q. Francisci Dawtrie militis."
 1584. "Heredes Ricardi Knight Ar. pro ter. que fuer. francis Dawtrie m^o defunct."

As we happen to know from other sources that the lands here referred to, but not described, were the rich and extensive estates of St. Denys Priory, the entries become significant and valuable. If this note should meet the eye of any student of local history who wishes to do a piece of useful research, he might find interesting employment in picking out from these lists of Free Suitors the scattered items of information concerning persons and estates which they contain and in putting them together into a coherent story.

² The parishes or wards were: (1) Holyrood, (2) St. Michael's and St. John's, (3) St. Laurence's, (4) All Saints within the Bar, (5) All Saints without the Bar, (7) Bag Row and East Street.

(4) The Names of the Jurors (*Nomina Duodecim*).

These were usually given in their Latin form, and the abbreviation "Jur." (*juratus*) was added to indicate that they had taken the requisite oath. The foreman took the oath first, and by himself; the others followed him in groups of three or more. The jurors were commonly men of substance and note in the town. Their names have been given each year.

(5) Lists of Payments "For Stall and Art."

These fill from seven to twelve pages in most of the books. The phrase "Stall and Art" is not a very familiar one, and it demands further investigation. "Stall" or, in its Latin form, "*Stallagium*," would appear to indicate a place in which a man could pursue his occupation, while "Art" (*Lat. Ars*) would seem to stand for the occupation itself. Payments "For Stall and Art" would thus be of the nature of payments for licences to trade. If they were such, their presence in Court Leet Records is somewhat remarkable, and they form one of several indications that in Southampton the relation between the Merchant Guild and the Court Leet was unusually close and intimate.¹

The lists of 1550, 1551, and 1566 (q.v.) give some interesting items of information concerning the occupations of some of the persons assessed and the grounds of assessment. But from 1569 onwards there are few variations from the stereotyped formula, "So-and-so, for stall and art, so-much." Hence for these years it has been thought sufficient to make a tabular summary of the lists, giving with respect to each parish or ward the number of names entered, the variations of payments demanded, and the total amount levied.

(6) The Presentments of the Jurors. These are, of course, by far the most important portion of each book. Most of

¹ Other indications in the present volume of this close connection will be found in 1550, § 83, and in the note at the end of the records of the same year.

them—all that contain any point of interest or significance—have been given *in extenso*. Inverted commas indicate this literal transcription. The remainder (e.g. 1550, §§ 20, 23, 32, 33) have been summarised. No presentments have been entirely omitted; so that this reprint gives a complete *index*, at least, to the whole of the entries contained in the books with which it deals. Many presentments are, in the MSS., repeated with little or no variation from year to year. Take as an example, the entry concerning the Salthouse, which comes first in all the books from 1573 to 1576 inclusive. To avoid vain re-transcription of such recurring presentments, a system of cross-references has been adopted. The reader who comes upon an entry which is a mere repetition of an earlier entry is referred to the year in which it first appeared; not only to that, however, but also to the last previous occasion on which it was repeated, and to the next subsequent occasion on which it occurs again. Thus a complete historic chain is formed. For instance, in the example given above, anyone who comes upon the presentment concerning the Salthouse, 1575, § 1, will find reference made, not only to the original (1573, § 1,) but, also, to 1574, § 1, and to 1576, § 1. Similarly, the reader of 1576, § 1, is referred to the original (1573, § 1), and, in addition, to 1575, § 1, and to 1577, § 1. By this means an immense economy of space has been effected.

Many of the words found in these sixteenth century documents are archaic or obsolete, e.g. "bucks" for dirty clothes, in 1550, § 72, and "coniger" for rabbit-warren, in 1577, § 8. Professor W. F. Masom, M.A., of the Hartley University College, has very kindly undertaken to prepare a glossary of such terms, which will be issued as a supplement to the Court Leet series of records. In order, however, to make the entries in this present volume intelligible to all, it has been thought well to add, in passing, concise explanatory glosses to the more difficult of the terms. When a synonym has been sufficient, it has been placed in a square bracket [] immediately after the word to be explained; when a longer comment has been necessary, a footnote has been employed. For many of these synonyms and notes I am indebted to Professor

Masom, whose wide knowledge of early English dialects has served to throw light on several points which otherwise would have remained obscure.

(7) **Lists of the Overseers and the Drivers of the Common** follow the presentments. The Overseers were four in number, and were usually drawn from the Leet Jury. Their duty was to see that during their year of office the regulations of the town concerning the Common lands were carried out. The Drivers varied from eight to twelve in number; they were executive officers appointed according to wards, one or two to each. Their task was the lowlier one of marking the cattle placed upon the Common by duly qualified burgesses, and seeing that they did not exceed the number allowed. Many presentments in this volume will be found to relate to them and their duties. It has been thought best to save the space which would have been occupied if these unimportant lists had been transcribed year by year.

(8) **The Signatures of the Jurors** close the records. They are given in their ordinary English form; in spelling they often present curious variations from the Latin forms found at the beginnings of the books. They afford interesting studies in the handwriting of the period, and it is regrettable that consideration of expense prevents their being given in facsimile year by year.

6—Topics of Interest in the Present Volume.

Southampton, at the close of the sixteenth century, was a small and somewhat decayed borough. The facts that in 1561 it was able to provide 490 men at arms, and that in 1589 it contained 423 householders, would suggest that its total population was somewhat under 3,000. The Rev. Theodore Wilks, however, in his *History of Hampshire* (Vol. II., p. 140) says that in 1596 it was 4,200. The great majority of these were grouped within the circuit of its walls. Of the minority, beyond the walls, most were located either in the suburb Above the Bar, or in the street which stretched from East Gate to St. Mary's churchyard. The strength of the town lay in its merchants, but these had fallen upon evil days when, at the beginning of the

century, in far distant parts of the world, the advances of the Turks and the discoveries of the Portuguese had closed the mediæval trade routes to the East, and had ruined the commerce of the Levant. Still, even in Elizabeth's reign, the town could boast over sixty vessels, eight of which were of 100 tons burden or more. Many industries, chief among which was serge-making, were carried on in Southampton; but there seems to have been little agriculture. For wheat and for food supply generally, with the exception of meat, the inhabitants depended upon the folk of the surrounding country. Many regulations were made by the Merchant Guild, and enforced by the Court Leet, to prevent the "forestalling, regratting, and ingrossing" of the more important articles of produce. The burgesses, however, reared their own cattle; for within the borough precincts were rich pasture lands. Not only had many of them their own closes, but all of them who performed their communal duty of keeping, in their turn, watch by night and ward by day, had the privilege of placing two beasts upon the common lands in charge of the drivers and the cowherd.

The matters of internal policy and administration which were of prime concern to this little commercial and pastoral community will stand clearly revealed to those who make a study of the presentments contained in this volume. The following seem to me to be the most prominent.¹

- (1) **Common Rights.** The burgesses were strong in their determination to maintain their claim over the Saltmarsh that lay between the eastern wall of the town and the estuary of the Itchen (1550, § 1). Their chief enemy appears to have been the Warden of God's House, but various persons from time to time tried to enclose and appropriate portions of it. The Brewers also caused trouble by digging clay for their bungholes in the marsh (1566, § 18), while the porters made it a dumping ground for the refuse of the town (1566, § 17). Even more important than the Saltmarsh was the great "Heath" or Common which lay in the north-west portion of the borough precincts. The regulations concerning the pasturing of cattle upon it

¹ One reference only in each case is given; other illustrations will be found by consulting the cross-references.

were numerous and minute (1566, §§ 19-28). The cutting down of trees and bushes was forbidden (1577, § 91). In a similar way encroachments upon the highways were noted and prevented (1573, § 33).

(2) The Highways received constant attention from the Leet Jury.

They saw that the householders, each of whom had to keep in repair the portion of the way in front of his house, did their duty (1550, § 58). They kept vigilant eyes on the drainage of the streets and roads. All the water seems to have been carried off on the surface. One would judge from the entries in this book that each house had its "gutter" running across the causeway into a "bouney" or water course made of wood, or stone, or iron which ran down the street, and that this "bouney" conveyed the washings of the town into various ditches whence they eventually reached, or were supposed to reach, the sea (1573, § 34). The system was very defective; gutters, and bouneys, and ditches constantly needed scouring (1575, § 12). Any unusually heavy fall of rain made the roads dangerous (1575, § 35) or impassable (1576, § 14). If it was difficult to keep the highways and byways dry and in good repair, much more difficult was it to keep them clean and wholesome. Hogs strolled about the streets (1550, § 14); ducks followed their impudent example (1550, § 15); cattle stood there meditatively and thither came men to milk them (1550, § 10); butchers used the streets as slaughter houses (1551, § 38), and into them threw the offal from their shops (1550, § 52). Fishmongers poured forth their fishy water "to the great annoyance of the quenes subjects wth the stinke thereof" (1574, § 74), and women before their doors washed dirty clothes (1550, § 72). Great heaps of refuse grew up in all out of the way places (1569, § 55) and even in such main thoroughfares as Above Bar Street (1571, § 12) and Bugle Street (1571, § 29). The porters were supposed to carry the rubbish of the town to the holes in the Saltmarsh or to the sea; but their work seems to have been done exceedingly badly (1575, § 14). One gets the impression from reading many records that the town was indescribably and incurably filthy, and in a condition so insanitary

as to render not only natural, but inevitable, the plagues and pestilences which we know infested it.¹

(3) **Defences.** The maintenance and repair of the walls (1577, § 43) and the towers (1577, § 51) were matters of frequent consideration. The performance by the burgesses of their duties of watch and ward (1574, § 47) had to be enforced, and the ringing of the nightly watchbells insisted on (1577, § 29). The wells within the town had to be kept clear and in good working order (1571, § 49) so that the inhabitants might not be wholly dependent on the supply of water which came from the conduit-head near Hill. Archery had to be practised, and the butts kept in repair (1566, § 5), so that the town might have its body of trained defenders ready to man the walls and towers. Games which drew men from archery, and which gave low fellows an opportunity to meet together and hatch plots, had to be suppressed (1575, § 76). Stocks needed to be set up in each ward for the chastening of vagabonds (1569, § 9).

(4) **Trade Regulations** are throughout these books so numerous and so important that one becomes increasingly convinced that in Southampton the connection between the Merchant Guild and the Court Leet was very intimate. Precisely those things which the ordinances of the guild ordered, the decisions of the court enforced.² Trading on the part of non-burgesses was restricted (1550, § 61, and 1551, § 40). Forestalling and kindred offences were suppressed (1550, § 71). The standard of weights and measures was maintained, and year by year long lists of persons found to possess false weights and measures were presented (1566, § 42, 1569, § 57, etc.) Individual trades were regulated. For example, the bakers had to make bread of certain sizes and prices (1569, § 12); the brewers were required to cease from making double-beer (1576, § 88); the butchers were forbidden to kill calves under

¹ We have records of devastations made by plague in 1563, 1574, and 1582. In the last year between 400 and 500 people were carried off in six months—a terrible rate of mortality if its population numbered from 3,000 to 4,000.

² The Guild Ordinances are given in Davies's History of Southampton, pp. 139-151. Compare Ord. 30 with 1576, § 79; Ord. 42 with 1560, § 57; Ord. 43 with 1560, § 14. Many other parallels could be noted.

five weeks old (1573, § 4) or to combine together to enhance the price of meat (1566, § 38); the chandlers were ordered to refrain from making candles of dripping (1550, § 26) and from using the wrong kind of wick (1571, § 70); the coopers were compelled to make casks of certain sizes and to have them officially marked (1566, § 49); the cobblers were warned against using "naughtie slittinge lether" in mending boots (1576, § 68); and similar regulations were issued for brickmakers (1551, § 48), clothworkers (1569, § 15), hackney-men (1577, § 81), hucksters (1571, § 71), porters (1551, § 45), taverners (1571, § 31), tipplers (1550, §§ 53-4), and others.

- (8) **Miscellaneous.** Besides these broad classes of presentments, there are many scattered and miscellaneous entries which are in a high degree interesting and diverting. It is impossible for me to enumerate them here; and needless, moreover, because the search for them will speedily yield its own reward. I will therefore merely mention, by way of example, the presentments concerning apparel (1576, § 76, and 1577, § 98), attendance at church (1575, § 68), and communion bread (1576, § 77).

7.—Conclusion.

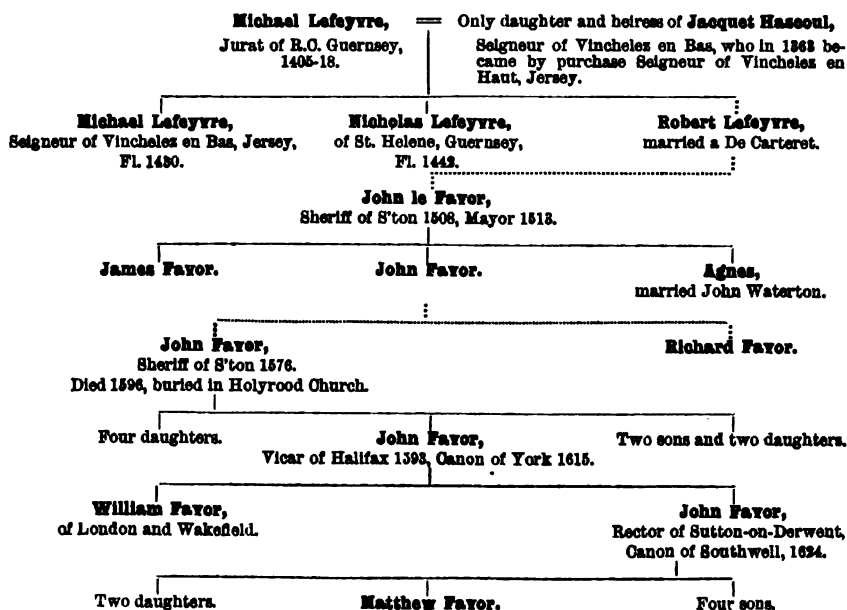
I cannot close these introductory remarks without expressing my consciousness of the inadequacy with which this volume has been edited. Most of the work has been done at scattered intervals of leisure amid the heavy pressure of other and more imperative duties. Had time allowed I should have tried to make my explanatory notes much fuller and more numerous, and I should have endeavoured to gain from the parish registers and other sources some information concerning the old inhabitants of Southampton whose names occur in these pages. I mention this not so much in order to gain consideration for myself as because I hope that the labour and the knowledge of others may supply that wherein I am lacking. I would appeal to all into whose hands this volume may fall to let me know of any sources of information likely to throw light upon its contents. I would ask all who have leisure to undertake such tasks as the hunting of parish registers, the searching of books of statutes, the making of indexes, to communicate with me.

Specially would I request the present representatives of the old Southampton families to supply me with genealogical information concerning their ancestors.¹

It is hoped that, when the volumes—probably from eight to ten—of this Court Leet series are completed, it may be possible to publish, in addition to the essay and the glossary already referred to (see pages x. and xvi.), indexes of topics, and places, and persons, together with maps and plans of the town and neighbourhood. Assistance in the preparation of these will be highly appreciated.

My cordial thanks are due to many kind friends, without whose aid these records could never have been put into print. Specially must I acknowledge my obligation to His Worship the Mayor, Colonel Bance, who both as official head of the town and as Chairman of the Estates Committee has been unfailing

¹ Major J. E. LeFeuvre, V.D., D.L., J.P., one of the oldest and most honoured of the public men of Southampton at the present day, has very kindly furnished me with the following table, which shews the descent of his family from the 15th century to the 18th century. One of the members of this notable family, John Favor, who was Sheriff of the County Borough in 1876, is mentioned many times in this volume of Court Leet records, e.g., 1871, § 41; 1876, §§ 13 and 64; 1877, §§ 7, 52, 53 and 62, and in several Free Sutors' and Jurors' lists. The son of this John Favor, also called John, entered the church, and became in course of time Vicar of Halifax and Canon of York. He it was who, out of the love which he bore to his native town, bestowed upon it that rare first edition of the authorised version of the Bible (1611) which now adorns the table in the Mayor's Parlour. The following is the genealogy (the dotted lines indicate points about which there is some uncertainty):—



in his sympathy and support; to the Town Clerk, Mr. R. R. Linthorne, and the officers of the Municipal Buildings, who have been most generous in granting every facility of access to the documents under their charge; to the Rev. J. Silvester Davies, M.A., the author of the standard History of Southampton, whose admirable work must be regarded as the basis of all future research into local records; to Messrs. Cox & Sharland, the printers, whose skill and care have greatly lightened the task of proof correcting; and last, but not least, to my wife—whose name appears with my own on the title page—upon whom fell the main part of the heavy burden of transcription.

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October 31st, 1905.

A.D. 1550.

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Title: Villa Southamptona: Curia legalis domini regis ibidem tenta coram Edmundo Byshop, majore villæ Southamptonæ prædictæ ac aldermanis et discretis villæ prædictæ pro termino Hock videlicet die martis proximo post Hock-tuesdaye secundum consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni Edwardi sexti dei gratia Angliæ, ffranciæ, et Hiberniæ regis, fidei defensoris ac in terra ecclesiæ Anglicanæ et Hibernicæ supremi capitis tercio.¹

Mayor (1549-50): Edmund Bishop.

Jurors: "The names of the xii. men as ensueth."

Thomas Goddard	John Gregory	Jasper Beer
Richard Butler	Raynolde House	Henry Russell
John Staveley	William Staveley	Richard Pery
William Jeffrys	Henry Golde	Thomas Deboke
John Waterton	Thomas Couper	Thomas Mucklo
Robert Evans	Thomas Edmunds	

Free suitors (not given).

"STALL AND ART" LISTS.²

I.—Ward of All Saints, Above Bar:

64 names. Payments from 2d. to 5/-

II.—	"	S. Lawrence:	25	"	"	"	2d.	"	6/8
III.—	"	Holy Rood:	57	"	"	"	2d.	"	3/4
IV.—	"	St. Michael:	85	"	"	"	2d.	"	5/-

Most of the payments are entered simply as "for stall and art" (pro stallagio et arte). Thus:—

Christiana Stocks vidua	pro stallagio et arte	...	...	2d.
Thomas Wheler	"	"	"	4d.
William Duberye	"	"	"	6d.
William Smyth	"	"	"	8d.
Patryck Kavell	"	"	"	12d.
John Coyte	"	"	"	20d.

¹ [*Translation*—Town of Southampton: The Law Court of the Lord King there held before Edmund Byshop, Mayor of the aforementioned town of Southampton, and the Aldermen and Discretos of the said town for the term of Hock, viz., on Tuesday [April 29th] next after Hock Tuesday [April 30th] according to the custom of the same town, in the third year of the reign of Edward the Sixth by the Grace of God King of England, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith and supreme head on earth of the Church of England and Ireland.]

² See Introduction, and for facsimile of first page of these lists see frontispiece.

But some of the entries contain supplementary information as to the ground of liability. These are all the more interesting because in the later books (except that of 1551, q.v.) there are few variations from the uniform, monotonous, and unilluminating formula "for stall and art." In this book the entries are all in Latin. The following are selected specimens translated :—

WILLIAM CHRISTMAS, because he is a keeper of hostage and sells hay (pabulum equinum), and is a brewer of ale, 2/-.

JOHN CHRISTMAS, for stall and art and because he is a clothier, 1/-.

THOMAS HYBBERT, because he is a merchant, 2d.

WILLIAM POTERELL, because he is a butcher, 4d.

ANTHONY HALL, because he is a retailer of ale, 4d.

JERROM GARDENER, because he is a retailer of ale and allows his customers to play at skittles (ludere ad spirulos sive globos), 6d.

DOROTHEA GWYDOTTE, for letting lodgings to strangers, 2/-.

PRESENTMENTS.

1.—Inquiry concerning the Salt Marsh.

"The names of the comyn^{es} whiche require redresse of the comons inclosyd as theye saye contrary to the King's Majesty's statutes, and that theye maye be laide abroad accordinge to the said statuts, that is to saye, Willm Westley, Adryan Johnson, Richard Marshe, and John Comerland alias Slatter."

"Commeners sworne and examyned : ffirste, RICHARD MARSHE of thage of 56 yeres or there abowts, sworne and examyned, Deposeth and saith that he was borne in this towne of Suthampton and here brought vp all dayes of his lyffe, and saith that he knew the Salte marshe comon all the whole yere and so contynued vntyll Mr. perchard's first meraltie,¹ at whiche tyme yt was inclosyd. And the See was defendid from the said Salte marshe at the charges of the bourges and comynaltie. And as for Mr. Bakers close and Mr. Riggs close he can saye nothinge therein.

¹ John Perchard, Mayor, 1516, 1524, 1533.

And further he saith that a marshe next vnto the See on the est end of Sayncte Marys feld w^t a close lyinge to the same hathe ben comyn in his tyme all the yere longe."

"JOHN VIBERD of thage of 65. yeres or there abowts, sworne and examyned, Deposyth and saithe that he hathe dwelt in this tone Southamptoⁿ 46 yeres, and that at his first comyng the Salte marshe was comyn all the yere and contynewed comyn vntyll Mr. percherd's first meraltie, by whose tyme yt was inclosyd whiche was abowts 10 yeres afte^r his comyng to the towne, and that the bancks of the See for the defence of the ma'she was maynteyned w^t the burgesy and the comynaltie."

"ANDROWE GWYDON alias Chaundeler of thage of 62 yeres or therabowts," and "WILLIAM COLLET of thage of 50 yeres or there abowts," say the same.

"EDWARDE MERCANT, burgis and m^{er}chant of the saide towne, of thage of 70 yeres or there abowts, sworne and examyned, deposeth and saith that he hathe ben dwellinge in the saide towne 60 yeres or there abowts, and at his first comyng the Salt ma'she was in coⁿtrav^{er}sy betwene the Towne and godes house, and the towne recovered the said of godes house by the lawe, whiche ma'she godes house kept gen^{er}all, and aft^{er} the Towne recovered yt, theye laid yt to comyn all the yere, and how long yt was comyn he knowith not. And also saith that the comeners made a purse towards the suyt of the law for the recoveringe of the same."¹

"WILLIAM BURWELL of the same Towne, burg^s, of the age of 70 yeres," "RICHARD STANLEY of thage of 60 yeres or there abowts," "JOHN BARNES of thage of 63 yeres or there abowts," say the same.

"WALTER BAKER, Alderman of the said towne, of the age of 60 yeres, sworne and examyned, saithe that all things specified in Edward Me^ccant's deposesycons ys trew, and further saith that the Salte ma'she was recovered by Mr. Overy, maire,² w^t the costs and chargs of the burgesys and comynaltie of Suthampton, and from his tyme left in comyn all the yere vnto the first meraltie of Mr. Perchard or there abowts."

The names of the xii men as ensuyth :—(The Jurors : see p. 1).

¹ See Davies's History of Southampton, 52-4.

² Thomas Overy, Mayor, 1488-90.

"The p^{re}misses concerninge the Salte m^{rs}he herde and vnderstoude, we the 12 above namyd fynde and present by o^r othes that the said Salte m^{rs}he shalbe from hensforthe as yt hathe heretofore ben comyn, to and for the burgesys and comynaltie of the said towne, and theye from tyme to tyme to repaire and mayntayne bancks, defensytyve agaynst the See according as is before deposed." (Cf. 1551, § 1).

2.—Thomas Betts and his rights of Common.

"Item we p^{re}sent that THOMAS BETTS of Right ought to have no comyn in the heith [Heath or Common] nor elles where but onely for that he is a burgis he may comyn as a burgis may according to the ordennces of the towne."

3.—Thomas Fuller and his rights of Common.

"Item we p^{re}sent that THOMAS FFULLER for that he holdith of Mr. Dawtry ought not comyn w^t any Cattall w^t vs but for his resiant" [resident or occupier].

4.—The Common rights of two Non-residents.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the ferme^r late of Mr. flemyngs ferme nor the ferme^r of the chauntery¹ ought to have any comyn w^t vs but for theire resyante."

5.—Commands concerning the Common to the above.

"Wherfor be yt comaunded that the said THOMAS BETTS, THOMAS FFULLER, Willm Dutery and Peter Crocker nor any of them at any tyme hereafte^r putt in any man^{er} of Cattall in any of o^r said comons other than by reseant foresaid vpon payne of ev^{er}y of theym for ev^{er}y Defaulte aft^{er} they have warninge 5/-." (Cf. 1551, §§ 2 & 3).

6.—Thomas Weekes and his rights of Common.

"Item we p^{re}sent THOMAS WEKES ought to have no comyn other then for that he is an inhabito^r savinge onely in easte magdalen and west magdalyn, wherfore be yt comaunded to the said Thomas Wyks as to thother vpon payne of 2/- for ev^{er}y tyme."

7.—General Regulation for Cattle on the Common.

"Item we p^{re}sent that no burges or comyner at one tyme comyn above the number of two beests vpon payne of ev^{er}y suche Defaulte 2/- provided that yf any of them have two kyne or

¹ The Church of St. Mary was in ruin, and the Rectory with its patronage was leased out to Mr. Walter Lambert, who is here referred to as "the farmer of the Chantry." See more fully in Davies's Southampton, pp 337-8. It would appear from the next entry that the "resiant" or occupier of the Chantry lands was at this time one Peter Crocker.

wenlings [young bullocks or heifers] he shall have no horse and yf he have but one cowe he maye have one horse, provided also that all suche paynes as shalbe forfeyte for ov^{er}-charginge of the comyns shalbe to thuse of the reparacions & Defence of the Salte m^{as}he, Savinge theye that shall pound the Cattall shall have of ev^{er}y (man) $\frac{1}{4}$. And yf eny that be or shalbe put in truste to ov^{er}see the comyn as aforesaid, shall ov^{er} charge the comyn, he shall forfeyt for ev^{er}y Defaulte $\frac{3}{4}$, and who that findeth yt and puttith theire Cattall in pounce shall have halffe for his labour." (Cf. 1551, § 4).

8.—Prohibition concerning Stone-Horses on Common.

"Item be yt comanded to ev^{er}y burgis & comyn^{er} that none of them putt any stone horsys [stallions] or mares into the Salte m^{as}he nor abowte the towne vpon payne for ev^{er}y tyme so doinge to paye 12d."

9.—Penalties incurred by Overseers for Neglect of Duties.

"Item that yf yt be p^{ro}vid that the said ov^{er}sears w^{ch}o for the tyme by theire course ought to Dryve, do not Duly from tyme to tyme put the p^{ro}myss^e in execucon that theye shall forfeyte for ev^{er}y Defaulte 8d., and he that espieth the Defaulte and bringith the cattall offendinge to the pounce shall have thone halffe of all the forfeiture Due for the same and the resedue to go to thuse aforesaide."

10.—Cows not to stand in or to be milked in the Streets.

"Item that none suffer theire Kyne to be or to stonde in the streate by night nor by day to be mylked in the strett vpon payne of ev^{er}y such difalte, p^{ro}vided that the Kyne to have a resonable tyme to come & go to be milked & from milkinge." (Cf. 1551, § 5).

11.—Penalties incurred by the Drivers for Neglect of Duty.

"The Dryvers to be appointed by the 4 men (William Westley, Richard Holt, Richard Marsh, John Comerland), and who soev^{er} be by them namyd and Refuse or do not his office therin, for to forfeyte for theire so Doinge for ev^{er}y tyme 12d."

12.—Agreement between Overseers of Common and Thomas Fuller.

"Nota that it is agreed betwene the said 4 men wth the condicent [consent] of the 12 of thone p^{ar}tie, and THOMAS FULLER of thother p^{ar}tie, for Div^{er}s consideracons alleged that yf any the horssees or thother beasts of the said Thomas chaunce to breake into

our comon heith that then they to be tourned backe agayne owt of the comyn w^t owt hunting of Doggwes or impoundinge, and also yf like Cattall come into any p^{ar}te of the Lordship of S^r frauncis Dawtrey¹ then they to be tourned backe or owt of the lordshipp w^t out huntinge w^t doggwes or poundinge for the whiche agrement the said Thomas fuller promysth to paye yerely Duringe the tyme he shall kepe his ferme in Saynte Dennys Wodd 6/8 towards the reparacons of the bulwerkes p^{ro}vided that yf any of the s^{er}vaunts of the saide ffuller Dryve any suche cattall into the said heithe or that his shepe be founde there, that then it shalbe liefull to pound them as theye might do before the makinge of this agrement." (Cf. 1551, § 6).

13.—Salt Bitches in the Streets.

"Be yt comanded that none from hensforthe suffer any sawte bitches² to go abrode in the streate vpon payne of ev^{er}y suche Defaulte for ev^{er}y tyme so Doinge, 6/8." (Cf. 1551, § 7).

14.—Hogs in the Streets.

"Item none suffer theire hogges to go in the streats by daye nor night vpon payne of ev^{er}y default of ev^{er}y hogg 4d. And that it shalbe liefull for the said ov^{er}seers, lorde of mysruell³, or cryar to impounde the said hogges, and take for ev^{er}y hogge so offendinge the said 4d., halffe for them selffes and halffe for the towne and to take a distresse in the offenders house for the same." (Cf. 1551, § 7).

15.—Ducks in the Streets.

"Item in case like that none suffer any ducks to go in the streats vpon payne of the first defaulte 4d. the second defaulte 8d. & at the third tyme to forfeite the ducks & who soev^{er} takyth them shall have them for themselves."

16.—Burning of Leather.

"Item that none from hensforthe bourne (burn) any shreds or lether vpon payne of ev^{er}y tyme so doinge 6/8 wthin the Towne walls."

17.—Burning of Rushes.

"Item that none bourne any Russhis or filthe w^t in the towne or caste any graynes [refuse malt] behind the wales vpon payne for ev^{er}y tyme so Doinge aft^{er} monycon [monition, warning] gyven 3/4 for annoyance to the King's subiects."

¹ St. Denys Priory, with the Manor of Portawood, etc., had been bestowed by Henry VIII. upon Francis Dawtrey on the dissolution of the Monasteries in 1536.

² Salt—maris appetens.

³ An unusual phrase for an overseer's officer.

18.—The Mayor (Mr. Bishop) for keeping a Hog.

"Item yt ys p^rsentid that Mr. maire kepith a sowe in his backesyde, whiche is brought in and owte contrary to the ordenns of the towne, wherfore be yt comanded to hym and all other that theye kepe no hoges w^t in the Towne to the anyance of theire neighbour vpon payne that ev^{er}y of them that so shall kepe any swyne to forfeyte for ev^{er}y 15 daies he shall so offend zod."

19.—The Farmer of the Chantry and his Bridge.

"Item yt ys p^rsentid that the ferm^{er} of the chantery ought to mayntayne and make a bridge betwene his ma'she and trynkte chappell, and another into his ma'she whiche he hathe takin awaye, wherfore be yt comaunded that he make the said bridgis agayne, and laye them there by the last day of August vpon payne of 3/4."

20.—Thomas Casberd, for Polluting the Street near Houndwell.

Refuse to be removed under pain of 2/-.

21.—The Common Baker.

"Item be yt comaunded to the comen baker that he at ev^{er}y tyme he shall bake hereaft^{er} that ys to saye 3 tymes aweke, send first his boye abowte accordinge to the olde custume vpon payne of every such defaulte 12d."

22.—Edward Willmot, for not Scouring his Ditches in Goswell Lane.

"Item yt ys p^rsentid that Edward willmot suffereth his diches in goswell lane to be unscowred by reason wherof the weye betwene hyll and hampton is infounded [flooded] wherfore be yt comanded to hym that he scower his Diche and mend the weye by y^e last daye of august vpon payne of 20/-."

23.—Thomas Fuller, for not Scouring his Ditches adjoining the Lion,

to be liable to a fine of 20 pence.

24.—The Tenants of Thomas Fuller for a Nuisance.

"Item yt ys also p^rsentid that the tenants of the saide Thomas fuller do hange the clothes of Sycke and pocky people vpon the raylles of the town Diches to the anoyance of the King's people wherfor yt ys comanded to his tenants for the tyme beinge hit be done no more so vpon payne of ev^{er}y tyme so Doinge 12d."

25.—Thomas Rydge, Alderman, concerning a lease to Michael Forth.

"Thomas Rydge, of the towne of Suthampton, Alderman, sworne and examyned Deposeth & saith, that he beinge in his last meraltie of the said towne¹ did demyse and graunt to mychaell fourthe the tenement which he dwellith in w^t thapp'tennns for 30 yeres then next followinge, payinge yerely 16/8 and he to repaire, whervpon Thomas Casberd then beinge Steward did receyve the gods penny [earnest money].

Item he Deposeth th^{at} the lease let by parolls [verbal agreement] by the maire was ev^{er} allowed and so ev^{er} accepted before as ev^{er} he hard."

26.—The Chandlers.

"Item yt ys p^{re}sented that the chaundealers do bye flottys or scymyngs of the potts, and make candells therw^t to the greate hurte of the King's people therefore yt ys comaunded to them to do no more at any tyme hereaft^{er} vpon payne for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge 6/8." (Cf. 1551, § 10).

27.—The Bakers for selling too cheap.

"Item yt ys p^{re}sented that the bakers of the towne do sell 4. horse lovys² for a penny contrary to thorder of the towne to them gyven by Mr. Maire, amersyd ev^{er}y one of them in rod. And yt ys therfore comaunded vnto them that theye ne any of them do Sell above 3 lovys of horsbred for a penny he to forfeyt for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge 3/4d." (Cf. 1569, § 12).

28.—Bottells of Hay.³

"Item we p^{re}sent that Thomas fuller, Willm Cristmas, Lawrence James, Edward m^{er}cant, willm mudford, and John Ellyn do make theire bottelles of haye to Lytle and also to light, contrary to the Kings acts, amersyd ev^{er}y one of them 2d. And yt ys comaunded vnto them that theye and ev^{er}y of them do make their halpenny bottell to waye 3 lb. and a halffe vpon payne of ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge ev^{er}y of them 3/4d." (Cf. 1551, § 11).

29.—Thomas Fuller, his gate and pale near Houndwell watering-place.

"Item yt ys comanded to Thomas fuller to take awaye his gate and his pale stondinge in the weye goinge to the watering place at houndwell by mychaelmas next vpon payne of 6/8. Also

¹ Thomas Rydges, Mayor 1542 and 1549.

² Loaves made of beans, bran, etc.

³ Bottell—small bundle of hay or straw. In the year 1617, according to Hearne's Collection, "Hay being 20/- a load, the penny bottle ought to wey 2½ lb."

yt ys comanded to the same Thomas to make his hedgs on bothe syds of the wateringe place at houndwell accordinge as yt hathe ben in tymes past on thys syd the feaste of the annuncyacon of o^r lady next comynge vpon payne of 6/8d." (Cf. 1551, §§ 12 & 43).

30.—Thomas Fuller, etc., for using Unsealed Measures.

"Item we p^resent that Thomas fuller, willm Cristmas, Edward m^rcant, Willm mudforde, & Edward willmott, sell beere and wyne by vnlawful and vnsealled measures contrary to the statute in suche causys p^rovided. And farther be yt comanded that they ne any of them aft^r the first daye of Septemb^r next sell by measure vnsealled vpon payne of ev^ery suche defaulte 3/4, and to forfeyte to the towne all their potts unsealed."

31.—Encroachment on Streets by Mr. Baker, Mr. Rocheford, and others.

"Item we p^resent that the tente (tenement) of Mr. bakere in sayncte mychaells p^arishe by bulhall the tente that John Rocheford Dwellith in w^t div^er's other houssys lately buylded to farre into the streate vpon the townes grounde not onely to the disordre of the vnyforme of the streats but als to the great anoyance of the next neighbours w^{ch} have shopes by reason that the sight of their shopes are drowned & hid by the same, wherfore yt maye please you Mr. maior & aldermen to sett suche ordre herein that hit be no more done so vpon suche payne as by y^r discrecion shalbe thought mete."

32.—Mr. Riggs, for not keeping his Hedge in St. Mary's Parish in repair,

to be fined 20/- if not redressed.

33.—Regulation concerning the Weight of Hay.

The Bottel to weigh 3½ lbs. Cf. § 28.

34.—The Ground of the late Henry Huttoft. ¹

"Item we Desire you to have in remembrance c^erteyne grounde which is holden by the heires of Mr. huttofte as yt playnly apperith in the 6 leffe of a lawday [Court Leet] boke made & p^resentid by the 12 men in 38 yere of the reigne of o^r late soveraigne lorde Kinge henry the VIIIth ² that ys to saye 2 gardens of 16/- by the yere and other gardens by the walles the whiche now are in thonds [the hands] of the p^erson [parson] of saynt Johns, Adryan mason, and where the See cooles [coals] Lyith in." (Cf. 1551, § 13).

¹ Henry Huttoft, Mayor 1525 and 1531, Collector of the Customs to Henry VIII, and a man of much influence. His house and gardens lay between West Gate and Biddel's Gate (see Davies's Southampton, p. 106), and it seems probable that they were the "Tudor House" and grounds of the present day.

² This book is not now extant.

35.—The Glovers' Ditch near Houndwell.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the glovers stop the wat^r betwene houndwell and their gardens and that the wat^r is so highe that the cattall that come to dryncke maye be in Dang^{er} of Drowninge, wherfore yt ys comaunded that there be a hedge made vpon the dichis syde all alonge the diche or to let owt the wat^{er} and that to be done in thissyde bartholomytyde next vpon payne of 6/8 to be levyd vpon the glovers."

36.—Indentures of Apprentices.

"Item we p^{re}sent that ordre was takyn that ev^{er}y M^r that should take any prentys should entre theire indentures wⁱⁿ 12 monethes orelles theire s^{er}vints to clayme no fredome by theire indentures¹, we Desire therfore the said ordennces maye be put in execucon accordingly." (Cf. 1551, § 16).

37.—Certain Houses in the Town likely to fall for want of Repairs.
(Cf. 1551, § 17).**38.—Cattle not to be put upon the Town Ditches.**

William Feverell fined 4d. for transgressing the "olde custume."

39.—The Friar's Conduit closed against the Poor.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the conducte [conduit] at the fryars gate ought to be as comyn for the pore as for the riche, and that not wstondinge as yt ys saide Mr. Sampson late had a Keye, Mr. Mylles hath a Keye, and others which we cannot name, for that Mr. Sampson or who that kept that Keye wolde stopp the wat^{er} that yt should ryse to bringe it into the sestrin [cistern] in Mr. Sampson's house. And that Mr. Mylles maydens and other that kepe the Keye suffer no pore people to have any wat^{er} tyll theye have takyn theire pleasure contrary to reason, and the mynd of the makers of the conducte, wherfore we thincke yt good that there be no man whiche shall have the Keye of the same conducte but onely Mr. maior for the tyme being. And that the conducte maye be shutt at 9 of the clocke and open agayne at 5. And yf nede require to shutt hym from a 11 to 1 and that in the tyme that the conducte shalbe open that the pore may have theire turnes as the riche have."

40.—Holy Rood Conduit and "My Lords'" Conduit,
similarly monopolised.

¹ Claim admission as burgesses with right to practise their trade on the completion of their apprenticeship.

41.—All Saints' Conduit,

in the hands of Mr. Pace so that "the povertie [poor people] can have no water but at the pleasure of Tom his fool and his maydens."

42.—The Sergeant to keep the Bargate and the Markets Clean.

"Item we p^resent that THOMAS MUCKLOW sergeant dothe let the waye at the Bargate lye fowle to the anoyance of the inhabitants of the towne and all other that comyth in and Lykewyse the m^rket placis wherfore yt ys comaunded vnto the said Thomas to make cleane as well the saide waye as m^rket placis at all tymes nedefull vpon payne of 3/4 for ev^{er}y tyme."

43.—Cows not to be Fed or Milked in the Streets,
under penalty of 12 pence.

44.—Archery-Butts to be kept in Repair.

"Item we p^resent that the butts be not made accordinge as yt was comanded savinge the butts of Saynt Lawrens p^rishe, wherfore theye have lost theire paynes [been fined] and yt ys comaunded that the butts be made on thisside mychaelmes next vpon suche payne as Mr. maior and his bretherin shall asses." (Cf. 1551, § 18).

45-50.—Unlawful Games.

It is presented that :—

45.—"John Paynter kepith a playinge house."

46.—"the halffe bowle¹ alley ys kept at the fryers."

47.—"Thomas Mucklo the yong^{er} kepith a tennys courte."

48.—"Thomas Deboke ocupieth a bowllyinge alley."

49.—"Jerom of the Kings orchard kepith comon playinge w^t bowles, tabylles, [draughts or backgammon] and other vnlawfull games agaynst the Kings statute."

50.—"Willm mudforde kepith a com^{on} bowllinge alley agaynst the Kings statute." (Cf. 1551, § 19).

51.—The Sea-Bank near God's House decayed.

"Item we p^resent that the bancks of the see agaynst Mr. Customer's close is in Ruyn & not repaired wherfore be yt comanded to the M^r of Godes house that the same bancks be sufficiently repaired on this side mychaelmes next vpon payne of 4od."

¹ Half Bowls—a game played with hemispheres of wood and fifteen small pins of a conical form. It was sometimes known as rolly-polly.

52.—The Butchers throw Offal into the Streets.

"Item we p^rsent that willm feverell and thother bouchers at the fryers gate do caste owte theire ox hedds to theire doges into the Strete to the anoyance of the Kings people and contrary to the honest ordre of this towne wherfore be yt comaunded to them & to ev^{er}y other boucher that they caste neither the hedds of any beaste nor other fylthe into the strete vpon payne of ev^{er}y suche offence 12d."

53.—Brewers not to refuse to brew Ale, nor "Tipplers" to retail it.

"Item be yt comanded to ev^{er}y Ale brewer that theye & ev^{er}y of them contynew theire brewing as theye have Done that ys to saye as well in tyme of Derth of malte as in tyme the malte shalbe Chepe vpon payne that ev^{er}y of them whiche leaveth brewinge shall lose £10 and from thensforthe nev^{er} aft^{er} to brew and that ev^{er}y Ale brewer that typpleth¹ in their houses shall sell owt of Dore a quarte of ale for a ob² and that theye warne [i.e. refuse] none to have Ale for their money so theye have yt in their houses vpon payne of ev^{er}y suche defaulte, so yt be p^rsentid to Mr. maire or to any Alderman 12d."

54.—Tipplers not to sell Ale after 9 p.m., nor to allow Unlawful Games.

"Item that there be no typler that now vsith to sell beere or ale, sell any beere or ale from hensforthe oneles theye putt into the towne good & sufficient suertie that they suffer none of the Inhabitants of the said towne to be in their houses Drinckinge aft^{er} 9 of the clocke at night vpon payne of the firste Defaulte 3/4, and vpon the second default 6/8, and from thensforthe nev^{er} to be admytted to tiple wⁱn the said towne or libertis of the same, and that vnder like payne none of them suffer any to playe at any vnlawfull game in their houses other then suche as may lawfully playe by statute." (Cf. 1551, § 20).

55.—Keepers of Taverns to observe the same rules.

"Item like payne be to ev^{er}y tavern^{er} for suffering any playinge in their houses or sufferinge any to sytt vp aft^{er} 9 of the clocke, oneles yt happen any the aldermen or burgesis by reason of neighboured shall chaunce to supp at taverne or there in company togethers."

¹ Sells ale retail to be drunk on the premises.

² Obolus—half-penny.

56.—Houses built against the Town Walls by James Stoner and Thomas Cowper.

"Item we p^resent that James Ston^{er} & Thomas Cowp^{er} have made a house agaynst the towne walls by reason wherof maryn^{er}s & other come into the towne and owt of the towne at theire pleasures ov^{er} the walles to the greate p^{er}ell and Daunger of the towne, wherfore be yt comanded that theye avoide [remove] the same house before bartholomy tyde next vpon payne of 40/-."

57.—Hole made through the Town Wall by Mr. Mills.

"Item we p^resent that Mr. mylles hathe brokyn a hole throrow the Towne wale for the bringing in of chalke for his p^rovicon whiche hole is made vp agagne w^t claye & stone, whiche we thincke ys not sufficient, wherfore we require yt to be made w^t lyme & stone as the rest of the walle ys for the save gard of the same by y^e last day of august next vpon payne of 40/-."

58.—The Streets of the Town to be Paved by the Inhabitants.

"Item we p^resent that the streats of the towne be greatly in decaye in Div^{er}s placis for lack of pavinge, wherfor yt ys comanded to all thinhabitants of the saide towne theye & ev^{er}y of them do pave the streats agaynste theire housses by the feaste of all sayncts next ensuyinge." (Cf. 1569, § 51).

59.—The Quays of the Town to be Cleaned.

"Item yt ys comaunded to WILLM BOTTRELL to make cleane all the keys [quays] of the towne by bartholomy tyde next vpon payne of 10/- and so to be kept from tyme to tyme vpon like payne."

60.—The Tailors not to sell Cloth or Mercery.

(a) "Item we p^resent that yt ys not lawfull for any taylle^r beinge no burges Dwellinge w^t in the towne to sell any brode clothe in retayle vpon (pain) of forfature of the same, orelles 20/- for ev^{er}y tyme so approvid."

(b) "Item we p^resent that Div^{er}s tayllers w^t in the towne beinge no burgesys dothe sell mesere [mercery] wares of all kinds contrary to the good ordre and custume of the towne, wherfore yt ys comaunded vnto them that theye ne any of them do sell any man^{er} of the same mesery vpon payne of 40/-."

61.—Mercers who are not Burgesses not to sell Cloth, etc.

"Item we p^resent that Div^{er}s mersers w^t in the towne beinge no

burgesyys dothe sell womens hosyn & wollen clothe, whiche we thincke yt not covenyent, wherfore yt ys comaunded that theye ne none of them aft^{er} the feaste of bartholomytde next do sell any the lyke wares vpon payne of 40/-"

62.—Thomas Casberd's Cart in the Street.

"Item yt ys p^{re}sented that THOMAS CASBERD hathe vsid to sett his carte in the streate to the anoyance of the Kings people yt ys comanded he do no more so vpon payne of ev^{er}y suche defaulte aft^{er} he hathe warninge 3/4."

63.—Timber, etc., not to be left in the Streets.

"Item be yt comanded that no man suffer any tymber or bordes or blockes or other things to lye in the streate to the anoyance of the Kings people vpon payne of ev^{er}y suche defaulte 3/4 after monycon gyven." (Cf. 1551, § 21).

64.—The Farmer of the Chantry to provide a Bull.

"Item yt ys p^{re}sented that the ferm^{er} of the chauntry ought to fynde a lawfull comyn bull & dothe not, wherfore be yt comanded that he fynde a lawfull bull accordinge as he ought to do vpon payne of 20/- because he hathe 4d. for every cowe yerly."

65.—Cattle for the Common to be delivered to the Cowherd.

"Item be yt comanded that no man put any cowe into the comyn onelese he delyv^{er} her to the coweherd & paye him for the kepinge of the same vpon payne for ev^{er}y weke so doing 2d., whiche the cowherd shall have towards his wagis." (Cf. 1566, § 19)

66.—The Wells to be kept in Repair.

"Item we fynde that the welles be not maynteyned so that yf mysfortune of fire as god forbed should chance the Towne mought be in jeop^{er}die, wherfore be yt comanded that ev^{er}y warde make vp theire welles on this side mychaelmas next, vpon payne that ev^{er}y ward shall forfeyte 40/- that so dothe not repaire and make the welles, and that yt be reyld (railed) vpon the curbes of the same wells a yard in height w^{ith} the curbes & that there be coveringes & buckets made accordingly." (Cf. 1551, § 22).

67.—Removal of Hooks.

"Item be yt inquired who hathe takyn away the hokes vnder the house ov^{er} the fishe ma^rket and that theye be brought agayne."

68.—The Joining Together of Houses.

"Item yt ys p^rsentid that Thomas Casberd hathe joyned togethers 3 housses, Mr. maire 2, p^rnell 2, one of the whiche maistres Salmon holdeth, John caplyn 2, Mr. Peneg^{er} 2, Mr. Ridge 2, Mr. medcalfe 2, Mr. chafyn & Mr. goddard 2, Mr. stanley 2, Mr. waterton 2, maistres percherd 2, willm stanley 2, Mr. welles the yonger 3, Robart hellyar for a house by the p^rsonage of sayncte Johns, west hall 2, mr. mylle 3, mr. thorpes stalle 1, Curte 2, mr. Thomas mylle 2, Adryan mason 2, the lord cheffe Justice 2, George Vincent 2, willm howp^{er} 2, mr. pace 3, Robart apryse 2, wherefore yt ys comaunded that ev^{er}y man paye his watches for the welthe and Savegard of the towne as the sev^{er}all tenants wolde have done yf the ten^r had not ben ingrosyd [bought up] & more yt ys complayned that 24 houses foresaid incroched by theye above namygd ys to the greate decaye of the Towne when nede shall require, for that at the leaste there mought have been presently in them 50 or 60 p^{er}sons, the increase of the which god knowith."

69.—The Buying of Wood and Coals.

"Item we p^rsent that yt ys nedfull to the behoffe [benefit] of the poore that no man beinge of the degre of a baylly [bailiff] for the towne shall by any wodd, fagott or cole betwene the feaste of all saynts & thanuncyacon of o^r lady but onely that shall come by wat^{er} to thintent that the wodd that comyth by carts may onely be bought by the pore inhabitants of the towne by whiche means the pore shall by the bett^{er} chepe [buy at a smaller price] & also that no brewer nor baker by no tall wodd nor colles aft^{er} the same daye vpon payne for ev^{er}y man beinge above the forsaid degre w^t the bakers to forfeyte 20/-."

70.—The Forestalling of Wheat and Malt.

"Item we p^rsent that no baker nor brewer shall forestall [buy up beforehand] any wheate or malte comynge to the m^rket to be solde nor any of them to come into the m^rket to bye nor to chepyn [bid for] any meale or malte vntill 11 of the clocke, vpon payne of ev^{er}y tyme so takyn in the same defaulte 6/8." (Cf. 1551, § 23).

71.—The Forestalling of Eggs, Butter, and Cheese.

"Item yt ys p^rsentyd that the hucsters do not onely forestall eggs butt^{er} chese & suche other vitalls comynge to the m^rket but also come into the m^rket, & when other folke are abowte to bye theye call them awaye w^t theirre vittalles by reason wherof

the pryse of all things ben inhannced to the greate hinderance of the Kings people, wherfore be yt comanded that yt be done no more so vpon payne of the thinge so bought to be forfeyte & the byer to be punyshed at mr. maires discrecon, p^{ro}vided that theye may by [buy] aft^{er} 11 of the clocke the premys^s not w^tstandinge."

72.—Dirty Clothes not to be Washed in the Streets.

"Item yt ys comaunded that from hensforthe aft^{er} monycon gyven no man^{er} of p^{er}son whatsoever theye be, shall washe or cause to be washed any bouckes [dirty clothes] at any conducte wⁱⁿ the said towne or in open stretis except at godes house conducte vpon payne of ev^{er}y one so offendinge for ev^{er}y tyme 12d." (Cf. 1551, § 24).

73.—Dogs not to be in the Streets at Night.

"Item yt ys comanded from hensforthe that no inhabitaunts wⁱⁿ this towne suffer any doges or bitches w^owt theire dores aft^{er} the watche ys sett for the disturbing of the watche, for the doges gyveth knowlege to those that meanith to rob theire neighbours when the watche goith in the streats, for ev^{er}y tyme so takyn the doges to be kyllid and the own^{er} of the said doge or bitche to forfeyt 12d."

74.—Mr. Thomas Ridges for Destroying a Bridge.

"Item we p^{re}sent that MR. THOMAS RIDGE hath plucked vp a bridge that ledith from his close vnto the Salte m^{rs}she, wherfore be yt comaunded vnto the said Thomas to laye there another sufficient bridge that the Kings people may there lawfully passe, that ys to saye wⁱⁿ 8 dayes next aft^{er} monycon gyvin vnto hym vpon payne of a 3/4."

75.—Mr. Wells, the Customer, to make a Bridge.

"Item be yt comanded that MR. WELLS custum^{er} [Collector of the King's Customs] make a lawfull bridge to passe out of his close into Mr. Ridges close so that the Kings people maye safely passe ov^{er} the same w^t owt Danng^e w^t in 8 daies aft^{er} monycon gyven hym, vpon payne of 3/4."

76.—The Town Ditches to be kept clear.

"Item we p^{re}sent that SAMPSON hath made two heds [? hedges] crosse the towne Diches whervpon men maye come at pleasure to the towne wales, whiche we thincke were mete to be takyn awaye, wherfore yt ys comanded to the tenante of the said towne Diches to avoide the said 2 heds by mychaelmes next comyngie vpon payne of 40/-" (Cf. 1551, § 29).

77.—House planted on God's House Green to be Removed.

"Item yt ys comaunded to WILLM BOUCHER to take awaye his Lytle house stondinge in godes house grene by mychaelmes next vpon payne of 40/-."

78.—Hedges and Ditches in the Maudlins to be Removed.

"Item we p^rsent that THOMAS WEKES, WILLM DEWTERY hathe not cast downe their hedges & diches in est magdalyn fyld & west magdalyn felde as theye had comaundement the last law-daye wherfore they have lost their paynes, and therfore yt ys comanded vnto theym that theye do caste downe their diches & hedgis in the said felde by mychelmas comynge vpon payne of 40/-" (Cf. 1551, § 25).

79.—The Keeping of Pigs in the Town.

[This order begins abruptly and is very incoherent. It is easy to understand that the enormity of the evil, the callousness of the Justices, and the bad example set by the Mayor, combined to work the Jurors up to a state of almost inarticulate wrath.]

"provided alwayes that yf Mr. maior & his bretherin do not redresse the ordre for pyggs as ys afore p^resented and payned, that then we thincke yt mete that ev^ery man bothe before strete & in their back sides to thaugmentacon of this habomynable accustomed vse of the same to Kepe piggs at their pleasure, so that when the thinge is at the worste shame may redrese yt for poore villagis in the contrey do abhore suche ordre, and therin the people greved avoche Suthampton for their aucthorytie."

80.—Edward Merchant for Harboursing Portuguese

and telling them the prices of wares so that they are able to buy Northern cloths retail at wholesale rates.

"Item we p^rsent that Edward m^ercant dothe kepe ostelage of northeryn cloths & ostethe portingales and makith them prevy to the pryses of wares so that the portingales by of them by the yardes."

81.—Thomas Weekes to Scour his Ditch in Canshot Lane.

"Item yt ys comanded that Thomas Wykes scowre his Diche in Kayne-shoyt by the wynd mylle by mychaelmas next vpon payne of 3/4."

82.—The Men of Jersey and Guernsey not to be made Burgesses.

"Item more we p^rsent that heretofore in the tyme of Mr. Fashyns meraltie,¹ yt was by a Roll w^h the mooste pa'te of the Aldermen & burgesys subscrib'd & agreed amonge other things for dyv^rs causys & consideracons then moved that from hens-forthe there shoulde no men of the Isles of Jersey & gamesey be made burgesys, w^t ow't thassent of the more p^rte of the aldermen and burgesys of the said Towne as in the said Role more playnly yt ys conteyned, wherfore we require the said article for makinge of burgesys of the said Isles to be accomplysh'd in all things, & not onely that the reste of all the whole role, and yf you refuse this to do, we will you stryke all our names ow't of yo^r bookes & so comyt all the chargs of the towne into yo^r hands, we speake not this for nothings, but for that theire occupyinge & crafte will be the decaye of our occupyinge." (Cf. 1551, § 26).

83.—Thomas Muklow, the Sergeant, a Leet Juror,

has entrusted the writing of the Leet Book to one who was neither a Juror nor a member of the Guild.

"Item we p^rsente that thomas mokelow one of the 12 contrary to his othe and the truste we put him to write this boke & kepe our counsaile of the things therin conteyned did put the boke to writing to one beinge none of the 12 nor of the guild w^r by all o^r acts w^r made opyn to the writer w^rfore we think iff he hadde done yt wilfully as we think he did yt of ignorance he hadd ben worthe to be disgraded, not w^tstande for the ille example and p^rfidie we will that he by the comande of maist^r maire (be) put in the halle there to Remane by one Day w^t owte companey & then to confesse his defalte to Mr. maire and to paie in name of a fine toward the Repacons of the Audit howse, 20d."

84.—Nicholas Demarin

sets an evil example to the youth of the town.

85.—Ill Rule at the Castle.

"Item at the castell ys ylle rullyde kepe and be reportte as ylle as a [?]."

86.—Peter Crooker to Scour his Ditch.

¹ Thomas Fashin, Mayor 1646.

87.—The Road from East Street to St. Mary's to be Repaired.

Two Notes at End of Book.

(1) "Four Charters sent to Mr. Caplin and Mr. Bottler the 23rd off June :—2 of Henry VIII., 1 of Henry VII., 1 of Edward IV."

(2) "A nott off thos men supposyd to have the copies off the Paxbrede¹ as followeth :—Bekeng Haig, William Jeffres, Lawrence Grosse, William Bower."

¹ For "the Paxbread," a book containing the ordinances of the Merchant Guild, cf. Davies's Southampton, p. 182.



A.D. 1551.

Title: Villa Southamptona : Curia legalis Domini Regis ibidem tenta coram Thoma Ridges, majore villæ prædictæ ac aliis aldermanis et discretis ejusdem villæ pro termino de Hoc videlicet die martis proximo post Hock-tuesday secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni Edwardi Sexti dei gratia Angliæ, franciæ, et Hiberniæ regis fidei defensoris ac in terra ecclesiæ Anglicanæ et Hibernicæ supremi capitis quarto.¹

Mayor (1550-51): Thomas Ridges.

Jurors: "The names of the xii. men as foloythe."

John Fletcher	Thomas Edmunds	George Vensentt
John Staly	Thomas Casberde	Henry Russell
Thomas Harreson	Thomas Cux	John Gregory
John Watertonne	William Mudeforde	William Staly
Raynolde House	Thomas Sandars	Rycharde Hawkyns
Jasper Bayere	Lawrence Grosse	

Free Suitors (not given).

"STALL AND ART" LISTS.

I.—Ward of All Saints, Above Bar:

71 names. Payments from 2d. to 5/-

II.—	"	S. Lawrence:	25	"	"	2d.	"	5/-
III.—	"	Holy Rood:	54	"	"	2d.	"	10/-
IV.—	"	S. Michael:	84	"	"	2d.	"	10/-

In this book, as in that of 1550, most of the payments are entered simply as "for stall and art." But some of the extended entries are very interesting. They are almost invariably in English, but English of a spelling strange and marvellous to modern eyes. The following are typical:—

¹ [*Translation*—Town of Southampton: The Law Court of the Lord King there held before Thomas Ridges, Mayor of the aforementioned town and the other Aldermen and Discretos of the same town for the term of Hock, viz., the Tuesday [April 21st] next after Hock Tuesday [April 14th] according to the ancient custom of the same town, in the fourth year of Edward the Sixth by the Grace of God King of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith and supreme head on earth of the Church of England and Ireland.]

WYLL^m CRYSTEMASSE "who duthe kepe ostlege [lodging for strangers] and sellythe haye and ys an al-bruar, 2/-."

JOHN CALLER "for ttapyng alle, 3d."

WYLL^m POTTERELLE, "butcher, for bruyng off alle and ys a butcher, 1od."

THOMAS FFULLER "ys a coman hosteler and a myller."

WYLL^m HEBBARDE "pro stall et arte, and hathe sett up hes wyndos withoute lyssens of the wardens. He hes to be amersyde as shall apere herfoloyng."

PATTRYCKE CARRELL "pro stall et arte, & vendedithe viands and osteladge."

PRESENTMENTS.¹

1.—Concerning the Salt Marsh.

"The 12 abuffe namyd [the Jurors] duthe p^resentt thatt the salt marshe ys nott dewely ov^{er}syne as was apoynttyde by the 12 men in the yere afor thes p^resentte thene mayere mr. edmonds busshope, for the w^{ch} we fynde that the ov^{er}seeres hathe not done ther dewty, wherfor the 4 ov^{er}seers frome that daye to thys tyme for nott doynge ther dewtte we amersse theme 4d. the pess [apiece], and they answerythe they hathe takyne payne and hathe so broghtte in ther proffes [proofs] werfor we dess^{re} ther m^{er}sementt to be forgeven, and have apoynttyde by oure conselles 4 other men w^{ch} ar John emery, Rycharde dosse, John ellyett, chandeler, Robarde Yngglysse, gellerde hethe, thomas stevens & hary Jheans & walter louell, taller [tailor] w^{ch} 8 men ar apoyntyde to ov^{er}se & apointe frome tyme to tyme in ev^{er}e warde 2 men to fence the comene that yt be yowssyde [used] acordynge to the order takyn in that behaffe." (Cf. 1550, § 1).

2.—Thomas Betts and Thomas Fuller and their rights of Common.

They continue to oppress the Common with sheep, therefore they are fined 5/- each. (Cf. 1550, §§ 2, 3, 4, 5).

3.—William Dawettery and his right of Common.

He oppresses the Common with "a drove of swyne" and also with "horsebeasts and mares," wherefore he is fined 5/-. (Cf. 1550, § 5).

¹ The presentments in this book seem to have been written by a peculiarly illiterate man. The writing is bad, the spelling more than usually erratic, and the composition frequently very loose. Perhaps the trouble into which Thomas Mucklow got himself in the preceding year (cf. 1550, § 82) limited the sphere from which scribes could be chosen.

4.—Regulation for Common.

No burgess to put more than two beasts on the Common. (Cf. 1550, § 7, and 1566, § 22).

5.—Mr. Baker's Cows Milked in the Street.

"Itm we p'esentt that Mr. baker ys mayeds duthē mylke hys kyene in the strette tymes w'ott nomber, wherfor wee fynde hym to be amersyde w' the leste [at least] $\frac{3}{4}$ & for every tyme so takkyne as yt ys afyrmyde in the 10 artykyl off the for sayde buke 4d." (Cf. 1550, § 10, and 1566, § 29).

6.—Thomas Fuller's Encroachment.

He is to pay 6/8 for encroachment on Common as agreed at the last Law-day. (Cf. 1550, § 12).

7.—Salt Bitches and Hogs in the Streets.

(a) SALT BITCHES IN THE STREETS. Article of last year re-affirmed. (Cf. 1550, § 13).

(b) HOGS IN THE STREET. Article of last year re-affirmed (cf. 1550, § 14). The jury complain that the "masters of the town" persist in keeping hogs in the town, & so set "an yelle insampelle to the reste of the holle towne," for the common people say "why shulde nott we kepe hoggs who are poore as well as they who are ryche." (Cf. 1550, § 14 and 1566, § 30).

8.—Hucksters for regratting the Market.

"Itm we p'esentt thatt the hukesteres [retail dealers] as Thom's colls, Roger hallydaye, hary drynkwatt^r, thomas flemynge, pooells wyffe w' other hukesters wyffes dothe regratte¹ the merkett off eggs, butter & chesse befor the owere apoynttyd [11 a.m.] for the w^{ch} ther nott regardynge the comawndymentt off mr. mayere in that behallffe ar merrsyde they & everye of the hoksters w'in the sayme towne to paye 12d. the pess [apiece] for ther nott obeynge mr. mayers proclamassons in that behaffe."

9.—John White for Selling Bad Candles.

"Itm we p'esentt that JOHN WYGHTE the chandeler, for thatt contrarery to the comawndementte in the laste lawe dayes as yt aperythe in the 26 arttykell of the sayme buke shulde not by no flottys, hathe contrarery to the sayme dessevyde the Kings subjects

¹ Regrat—to buy up in order to sell again at a higher rate in the same market.

in puttynge flottes in his candells werfor he ys merssed as by the same artykell yt maye apere 6/8. And that the sayme John wyghtte from thys tyme furthe duthe selle no more candells butt onely on the markett dayes & thene to brynge hys candells to the markett & ther to selle hys candells for a half-penny at the leste better chepe then the other chandlers & in no wysse to hange annye candells in his shop to selle at anye tyme vppon the payne off everye tyme hes so offendynge for sellynge hes candells utt off [except upon] the dayes forsayde 3/4." (Cf. 1550, § 26).

10.—The Chandlers.

To buy no "flottys" under penalty of 3/4. (Cf. 1550, § 26).

11.—Bottells of Hay.

THOMAS FULLER, WILLIAM CHRISTMAS, WILLIAM MUDFORD, EDUARDE WILMOT, JOHN ELLYN, fined 3/4 each for not making their bottells of hay of the right weight. (Cf. 1550, § 28).

12.—Thomas Fuller, his gate and pale near Houndwell watering-place.

Thomas Fuller has done nothing that he was commanded to do last year. Therefore he is fined 6/8, and is ordered to carry out the orders of the Court before midsummer under penalty of 10/-. (Cf. 1550, § 29, and 1551, § 43).

13.—The Land of the late Henry Huttoft.

"Item we present that the heyars [heirs] of m^r harry huttoft dowth w^t hold certayne of the townes ground as now playnly aperyth by the 6 leffe of the Lawday booke¹ made & presentyd by the 12 men for the 38 yere of the Rayne of ow^r latte soverayne lord Kyng henry the eight."

14.—Mistress Sampson and her watercourse.

"Item we present that m^{rs} sampson or hyr asyngnes [assigns or representatives] dowth not Repayre & mayntayne the trowes [troughs or watercourses] from howndwell housse vnto the towne dyche w^{ch} cawsyth the watter to Runne another way where fore be yt comandyd to hyr or hyr assyngnes to Repayre & mayntayne the sayd watter course as yt hathe bene acostomyd In tyme past by the feast of bartyllmewtyde next vppon payne of 20/-."

¹ This book is not now extant, but cf. 1550, § 34.

15.—Mrs. Sampson and the "Head" at the East Gate.

"Item we present that the sayd m^r sampson or hyr assyngnes Do mend or cawsse to be mendyd the hedde made of stone & bryke at est gaytte as he was before to bend the watter to the watteryng place by bartyllmewtydde next vppon payne of 20/-."

16.—Indentures of Apprentices.

Rule of last year repeated (1550, § 36) and then further it is ordered "that they [the masters] take no prenttys under seven yeres & also for every Jharsse [Jersey] and Garnese [Guernsey] prenttys to kepe two Ynglysshe prenttyses upon the payne off every tyme so offendynge 20/- the pess [apiece]." (Cf. 1550, § 36).

17.—Certain Houses in the Town likely to fall for want of repairs.

The houses mentioned last year not yet repaired. (Cf. 1550, § 37).

18.—The Archery Butts not made.

"Item we fynd that the buts be not madde as yt was comandyd werfor the holle p^rysshes & esspesyally the alldermen of theme ar to be amersyde 6/8 the pess." (Cf. 1550, § 44, and 1566, § 5).

19.—Unlawful Games.

"Itm we p^resentte that the bullynge allys [bowling alleys] w^{ch} ar comen allys as Jerroms at the orcharde & fords att the fryeers for the suffrens off handycraffte men and mens servayntts to playe in ther sayde alles we amersse theme in 3/4 the pess w^t ott delaye." (Cf. 1550, § 45).

20.—Tipplers and their Sureties.

"Itm we p^resentt that all teplers w^{ch} sellethe bere & alle w^tott shurttyes contrayerye to the comandymennt given them the laste lawe daye in the 54 arttekkell off the sayme buke wherfor we amerss ev^{er}ye of them for ther defawette ev^{er}e of theme 12d. the pess w^totte forgivnesse." (Cf. 1550, § 54, and 1551, § 50).

21.—Timber left in the Street by Robert Butman.

"Itm we p^resentt that Robarde Buttman carpentare duthe lyee hes tymeber in the strette to the hurtte off the Kyngs subiectts, be yt comawndyde he do no more so vpon payne off 3/4." (Cf. 1550, § 63).

22.—Wells to be kept in repair.

"Itm be yt comawndyde to the allderman off the warde off sayntt myhells and sayntte Jon's to mak the wells be Thom's deboks dore & behynde m^r mylls hosse be thessyde mydsom^{er} vpon payne off 6/8." (Cf. 1550 § 66, and 1566, § 24).

23.—The forestalling of Meal by John Koyete.

"Itm we p^resentte that John Koyette baker duthe forstall the melle that comes to the m^rkkette and allso kattren [Catherine] wrayette for wyllm locke baker, wherfor the are am^{er}syde 6/8 a pess of theme." (Cf. 1550, § 70).

24.—Dirty Clothes washed in the Street.

"Itm we p^resentt that the clarkes wyffe of hollyroods, poell's wyffe in the brode layne, Thom's the hallyer ys wyffe & the cobblers wyffe duthe washe buks [dirty clothes] in the stretts befor ther dores werfor they ar amersyde 4d. the pess." (Cf. 1550, § 72).

25.—Hedges and Ditches in the Maudlins not removed.

Thomas Wekes has not done what was ordered last Lawday and so is amerced 10/-. He is ordered to remove his hedges and ditches before midsummer on pain of 20/-. (Cf. 1550, § 78).

26.—Men of Jersey and Guernsey not to be made Burgesses.

The jury complain that § 82 of last year's book has not been observed, and ask that it may be enforced. (Cf. 1550, § 82).

27.—Mr. Baker to scour his Ditch.

"Item we present that Mr. Baker duthe scour his dytche on the est syde off his close goynge to Ytchen fyrre [ferry] on the ryghtte syde off the layne by thys syde off bartellmowe tyde nextte upon payne 3/4."

28.—The Ruins of St. Mary's Church.¹

"Itm be ytt comawndyde to m^r baker, petter crokker, mychell payne, will^am daweburry, m^r controllar² for hes cartte & all other that hade ther cartts w^{ch} caryde stons frome sayntte marys, be ytt nowe comawndyde to the sayme men that they duthe carry ev^{er}ye of theme so myche of the Rubbesse of the same church as maye make the heyghe waye frome bargatte, all este strette to the

¹ The old Church of St. Mary was pulled down, probably in 1549 or 1550, because its lofty spire was a land-mark and guide to French freebooters who continually harried the South Coast of England. Cf. Davies's History of Southampton, pp. 227-28.

² Mr. Wells, Controller of the King's Customs. He is referred to 1550, § 75.

turnyng to the chanttre be thisyde of mydesom^{er} nexte vpon payne to ev^{er}e of theme 20/- or ells to carrye at the leste 20 lode a pesse w^{ch} thom's casberde dothe p^romesse to do for hes p^rtte so that they duthe carrye ev^{er}ye off theme 30 becawse of ther gayne therby Resseyvde."

29.—The Town Ditches to be kept clear.

(a) "Itm we p^resentt that m^r sampson or hure asynyse [assigns] do cootte the wydes [cut the weeds] aboghtte the dytches that she hathe by lesse [lease] off the tounne & allso to drawe the dyche w^{ch} wth contynwens we thynke wyll fylle the dyches & be a grette anowensses to the dyche & walles by thes syde myhelle-masse in payne of 10/-."

(b) "And in lyke be yt comawndyde to the inabyttens off the este gatte thatt they laye no durte nor duste in the other syde off the walle in the suthe syde off este gatte vppon payne for everye the sayme defawelt therw^t takkyne 4d.—& that the sayme inabytens du carrye awaye the duste & dorte [dirt] ther layde on thessyde wyttesuntyde vppon payne off 4d. the pess off ev^{er}e of theme ther dwellynge."

(c). "Itm the lyke comawndymennt be geven vnto the p^ryshe off all hallowes for theme abuffe the churche & so wytheotte the bare that they duthe carrye their durtte & duste that they hathe layd in the weste syde off the dyche & in lyke on the other syde on thes syde mydsom^{er} nextt on payne of 4d. the pess. [Be it commanded that none] forsakkythe the doynge ther off and that no mane duthe laye ther onye more on payne off 4d. a pess for ev^{er}e tyme so takken w^tott redemsyon." (Cf. 1550, § 76).

30.—William Christmas to cover his Gutter.

"Itm be yt comawndyde to wyll^m crystemasse that he duthe cov^{er} hes gutt^{er} w^{ch} goythe in the towne dyche as yt hathe byne acostomyd on thes syde mydsummer next in payne off 3/4."

31.—Robert Brown to repair his Gutter.

"Item we present that Robart browne dowth fowdar [founder, or flood] the by-way agaynst hys brewhowse w^t the watter of hys brewhowsse to the anoyans of the same way, wherefore be hyt comandyd vnto the sayd Robart to macke the guttar in syche sort for the conveyance of the watter for the anoyance of the way on thys syd trynytyde or mydsomer on payne of forfetyng 10/-."

32.—Sale of Wine at improper prices by certain Taverners.

"Itm we p^resentt that Jasp^{er} Kayre, w^m mudeforde, edwarde wyllmot, John ellyn, henry golde, John payntt, Thomas muklo, hathe sollde wyns for 3d. the q^t contrarye to the comandymntt geven by m^r mayre for the w^{ch} ther so offenddyng they ar amerssyde 12d. the pess & for ev^{er}ye tyme so offendinge agayne haveinge resonabbulle p^rmisse geven theme for ev^{er}e tyme 3/4 the pess."

33.—Sale of Beer at improper prices by the Mayor (Mr. Ridges) and Nicholas Grant.

"Itm we fynde thatt Mr. rygge Mayeor & nicolas grantte duthe selle ther comene dobbelbere [double beer] for 2/4 the barrell to the yelle insampell off the other brewers, werfor they ar amerssyde for ther defawlte 6/8 the pesse off them & yffe the^r duthe the sayme agayne to paye to the towne 13/4 the pess for ev^{er}e tyme so offendyng."

34.—The Ingrossing of Butter by Thomas Weeks.

"Itm be yt comawndyd to thom^s wyks that he duthe nott forstalle the butter as he ryddythe aboghtt to by wyttells in the conttre" for by ingrossing it he "cawssythe that the same of the contrye bryngythe not ther butter to the towne as they wer acostomyd werfor be yt comawndyd to the same wyks that he duthe no more so vppon payne of 20/- for ev^{er}ye defawlte so p^rovyd."

35.—The Ingrossing of Butter and Cheese by Lawrence Senny.

"Itm be ytt forder comawnd to lawrensse sendy shumakker & fhyshe mong^{er} that he duthe nott regratte the butter & chesse comynge to the m^rkkette as he hathe byne acostomyd vppon payne off every tyme so off-fendinge 20/- beyng dewely ap^rovyd."

36.—The Drovers of the Common defied by William Potterell.

"Itm we p^resentt that w^m pottrell butcher abuffe the bar due wythestonde the drov^{er}es off the comen w^{ch} ys to the yelle insamppell off the comeners of the same towne for the w^{ch} ys defawtte hes amerssede 12d."

37.—William Feverell throws Offal into the Streets.

"Itm be comawnddyde to wyllm feverell that he duthe caste no more off hes garbege & other fyllthe throwtt [through] the

bruers towre & stynke frome hes slatter housse to the grett anowens off the Kyngs subbjetts vpon payne off 6/8 affter the feste off penttycosts nextte foloynge."

38.—Butchers not to Kill Sheep in the Streets.

"Itm be ytt comawndyde to w^m dawebery that he duthe not kyllle no shepe nore oppen hes shepe in the oppen strette nore none other butchers at the fryeres w^{ch} ys to the grette anowens & yelle syghtte off the Inabettens off the sayme towne vpon payne off ev^{er}e shepe or Kallffe so kyllyd 12d." (Cf. 1575, § 5).

39.—Restrictions on "Foreign" Butchers.

"Itm we fynde thatt yt ys nessesserye thatt the same butchers wer apoynttyde emonge the other butchers & the same shopes to be kept for forren¹ butchers as hatthe ben befor acostomyd by woos comynge to the towne the inabbytents as they hathe complaynyde dyde byy ther vyttells better chepe & thes we thynke ytt nedefoll to be don for the benyffette of the sayme inabbetens & wellthe off thes towne."

40.—Only Burgesses to Retail Wine.

"Itm wher yt hathe byne an aynesientte [ancient] costom off thes towne that ther shulde no Inabbytter of thes towne selle wynes by retaylle butt a burgges & nowe contrayrye to the sayme good order John payentter, pattryk Kanell, petter Kayesser, nycolas stoodle duthe retaylle wyn, wherfor John payntter for thatt he hathe nott w^tstondeynge the offen warnynge in that beharffe ys merssyde 20/-. And that the reste aforsayde duthe nott selle enye wyns by retayelle affter the feste off penttycoste foloynge thes p^resentte & to retayell no more vpon payne off every pess they settythe on broche [they tap] 20/-."

41.—Robert Foster for damage to Thomas Cooper's House.

"Itm wer [whereas] Robarde fost^{er} hathe vnhellyde [opened, unroofed] p^ratte off thom^s cupers housse woo p^romysy^{de} to repayre the sayme housse longe or thys tyme & hathe nott dune the sayme butt duthe styll delaye the amendynge the sayme wherfor be yt comawnddyde vnto the sayme foster to amend the sayme on thys syde mydsummer next in payen 20/-."

¹ Foreign—coming from another district, not necessarily from abroad.

42.—George Cutler to dismiss two French Apprentices.

"Itm we p^resentt that george cottlar hatthe 2 frenchemen prenttyssys w^o ys contrarye to the order of thes towne werfor be yt comawndyd vnto hyme that he duthe putt theme awaye & take a p^renttyssys off thes hys nattyve contre and that only. Yt ys contrarye to the statytts for the same p^rovyddyde, w^o thynghe whe refferde to the dyscressyon off m^r mayre & hys bretherne."

43.—The Watering-place at Houndwell to be kept clean.

"Itm wher we fynde thatt off a awynsyentt costom the watterynghe plasse by houndewelle was kept clene & nowe ys comawnddyde to thom^s fullar to kepe the sayme waye comen as hatthe ben afor acostomyde we desyre m^r mayere & hes bretherne to cawsse the same watterynghe plasse to be made clene at the towns costs & ever herafter by the inabetens off the sayme towne to be kept clene." (Cf. 1550, § 29, and 1551, § 12).

44.—Mr. Baker's Tenement annoys Richard Dosse with its gutter and its window.

"Itm we p^resentt thatt the tenymentt off Mr. bakers w^{ch} the sadeler dwellyth in duthe anoye the next neyg^hbure rycharde dosse wth a gutter w^{ch} fallythe in hys bakesyde & allso the same tenementt of Mr. bakers hatthe a lowe windo w^{ch} ys in the entre off the sayme dosse wyche 2 anoyensses we wylle yt be amendyd on thes syde mydsummer next vppon payne off 10/-"

45.—The Town Porters and their Evil Habits.

"Itm we p^resentt that the portters duthe so wthvtte consens [conscience] oppressythe the Kyngs subbgetts comynge to thys towne in takkyne wytheutt reson for ther labure & manye tymes syttynghe at the alle housse whel other duthe do ther bussynysse & wen the sayme hathe loddyn ther cartts thene stertythe otte one or 2 off theme & off forse makkythe the poore men to paye for thatt they hathe nott deservyd to have wyche ys to the grette dyssonyste off thes towne the redresse wheroff we des^{re} m^r mayre to se done as yowe tender the good name & well fayre of thys towne & in esspetyally to charge theme in payene to forfette ther offes for they berythe themesellfes so bolde on m^r baker & m^r. fhashon that they carythe for no man ells & esspessyally the grettyste rynghe leder off ther stubbynnesse ys hew bencrafte wyche ys to grette a man off subbstansse to be in so payenfull

[laborious] an offes & in lyke they takey the off the burgessys for carege of ther wares so unresonabbuble that yt ys a grett greffe [injury] to theme to be so yowssed." (Cf. 1566, § 53).

46.—Thomas Krupe for Defiling a Well and Alice Bencraft for aiding and abetting him.

" Itm we p^resentte that thomas Krupe in hall hollond [All Saints] p^ryshe hathe made off a welle a jakees [latrina] w^{ch} ys a grette anoyeenes to the welles ther aboghtte & was onlye by the conselle of hes londe ladye alles bencraftte w^{ch} rather shulde have consellyde hyme to the contrayerye than so to aconselled hyme so to anoye hes nyghburs, for the holle nayghttebures complayenythe on the sayme, werfor she ys mersyde for hure conselle 3/4 & becawse she wulde askwes hure hosebande hathe takyne apon hure to be m^r in that behalffe, werfor we nayme hure & that she & they amonge theme mak clene the sayme on thys syde qff mydsumer next vppon payne off 20/-."

47.—The Water from John Koyete's Tenement annoys Thomas Sanders who lives next door.

48.—The Brick Maker for making False Bricks.

" Itm be ytt comawndyde to Knyghtte the breke maker that he duthe caste ys erthe in the wyntter and mak ys molde larger acordeng to the stattyutte in that casse p^rvyddyde & that he make none butt acordynge to the sayme stattyutte frome thes tyme forthe nore enye other wthin the lybberttes of thes towne vppon payne off 20/- for ev^{er}e deffawtte."

49.—William Potterell to be allowed to carry on Business at his house, Above Bar.

" Itm wer [whereas] ytt ys p^resenttyd to the 12 men by a byll hervnto anexede that wyllm potterelle butcher desyerthe to dwell in hys housse abuffe the bare & ther to selle hes vettells as he hatthe acostomyd whyche we thynke resonabbulle we fynde by the same yt ys good he so do be ou^{er}e Jugementts, sellynge as he hathe dune god vyttalls & resonabbulle p^ryssys & by penywurthes unto the poore pepulle as he hathe p^rmysyde to do."

50.—Tipplers in Bag-row to give Sureties.

" Itm be yt commaundyd to dyvers typplers in bagge rowe that they nother selle no bere nor alle nor logge [lodge] strangers, but thoos thatt hathe putt in shurttyes & that ther shurttes of suche has

hathe made defawlte shall paye suche forfefts as they hathe loste to the towne in that buffe [behalf] & the reste off the same byll to be redressyde w^{ch} byll ys anyxyde to thes sayme buke." (Cf. 1551, § 20).

51.—Robert Fleming's Penthouse to be Repaired.

"Itm be yt comawndyd to the tenentte off robarde flemyng abuffe the bare that he makythe hys penttys¹ w^{ch} ys nowe fallynge to the grette annowens off the Kyngs subbjetts & that he or hes londelorde duthe repayre the sayme on thys syde mydsummer nextte in payen off 20/-.

52.—Mistress Huttoft's Penthouse to be Repaired.

"Itm be yt in lyke comawndyd to mystr^{ess} huttofte that she amend hure penttys abuffe the bar wherin wyllm fuller now dwellythe in w^{ch} ys to the anowens off the Kyngs subbjetts and thatt yt be amendyde on thes syde mydsummer in payne off 20/-."

53.—Measures to be Sealed by the Sergeant.

"Item thatt the S^{er}gentt shall on thes syde mydsummer selle [seal] everye potte in taveryne and inn and typlers housse within the lybertte off thys towne off poytter [pewter] and woode."

The taverners, etc., are to be warned to bring out their measures and it is commanded "that the sayme S^{er}gentte do selle the sayme potts at the mutthe off the sayme potts and nott on the leds of theme or covers & that the sayme S^{er}gentte do take for every potte so sellyde one w^t the other $\frac{1}{4}$ d. and no more."

"And that they make no elles nore yards butte off drey and sessunyde tymebar & sellyde and to have for everye elle & yarde so made of sessund tymebare id."

Those who fail to have their measures sealed to be amerced $\frac{3}{4}$. (Cf. 1569, § 13).

54.—The Depositing of Rubbish in the Castle Green.

"Itm we p^{re}sentt that the inabetens off all hollond [All Saints] p^{ar}yshe & saynt lawrens laythe ther fylthe wthin the castelle grene w^{ch} ys a gret anoyeens to the Kyngs subbjetts werfor be yt comawndyd to the sayme inabetens to carrye the sayme awhaye on thys syde mydsom^{er} on payne off the sayme 2 p^{ar}ysshes 20/-." (Cf. 1566, § 55).

¹ Penthouse—a shed with sloping roof projecting from the main wall of a building.

55.—John of Boulogne to remove his Ship.

"Itm be ytt comawnddyd vnto John de bolonya that he duthe carre or cause to be carryde awaye the shype the w^{ch} hathe layne longe befor gods housse towere & hathe ther gatherryde a banke w^{ch} shalbe to the grett hurtte off the havyne, werfor be yt comawndyd vnto hyme to caree er thens on thys syde myhellmas on the payne off £10 & allso to carye the balleste & banke aboghtte the sayme in payne off other £10 at that tyme."

56.—Nicholas Demarin to remove his Ship.

"Itm in lyke to nycolas de Marryne that he duthe carrye awhaye hys shype from befor the watter (? gate) & allso the banke aboghtte the same plasse on thys syde myhellemas next on the leke payne of £10 or befor yffe yowe thynke good."

57.—Thomas Etner to Repair his Ditch

in front of his Cider House.

58.—John Williams to Repair his Gutter,

under pain of 3/4.

59.—The Sale of the Leather which comes to the Town.

"Itm we p^{re}sente that John emerye & Andro deboke w^{ch} ar putt in truste wth sellynge of shuche lether as comythe to thys towne & they contrayery to ther othes duthe putt ther lades to selle the same contrary to resune w^{ch} ys onyelye a mans offesse wherfor we ameresse theme in 3/4 the pess & yt to be comawndyde to ov^{er}se yt themeselffs or ells to putt a mane to do the same."

60.—The Depositing of Rubbish against the Walls.

"Itm we presentte that george Vensentt, Rycharde p^{re}yn, wyll^m hoopper, Thom^s wyks, John pelle wth others ther abowghte duthe laye ther fyllthe agaynste the walle as yowe go in to the castell grene w^{ch} ys nowesome to the Kings subbjetts, werfor be yt comawndyde to the same men wth the reste ther aboghtts to carre the sayme awaye on thes syde medesum^{er} next in payen off 6/8 the pess."

Closing Appeal of the Twelve Men.

"We the 12 men dess^{rs} yowe that the lawedaye Buke nextte befor thes w^{ch} ys in the tyme off Mr. busshepe maye be anykeyde vnto thes buke & folloyde acordynglye. And thes we dess^{rs} god thatt were god wylls maye be mene to redresse thyngs utt off order. Amen."

NOTE :—On the back of the cover is written :—"The xiith men booke in the tyme of Mr. Thomas Rygges, mayor, wherein ys manye good orders for the common."



A.D. 1566.

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Title: Cuttethorn: Curia legalis dominæ reginæ ibidem tenta coram Johanno Brodocke majore villæ Southamptonnæ ac aldermanis et discretis ejusdem villæ pro termino de Hocke viz die martis proximo post Hocketuesdaye secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni Elizebethæ dei gratia anglia, franciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc octavo.¹

Mayor (1565-66): John Brodock.

Jurors: "Nomina duodecem juratores pro domina regina."

Thomas Torner	Lawrence Sendie	James Webb
Lawrence Groce	John Ayles	William Denys
William Jeffris	William Singleton	Richard Daye
Thomas Bucke	Thomas Dingley	Thomas Brookes
Thomas Shuxborow	John Jackson	Richard Netley

Free Sultors:

Henry, Earl of Arundel	Heirs of Nicholas Coward
The Prior of God's House	„ Richard Hawkins
The Warden of Winchester College	„ (inf. aet.)
The Presentor of St. Mary's	„ Henry Whitt
Heirs of Anthony Pound	„ Henry Huttofe
„ Thomas Pace	„ Walter Backer
Sir Francis Dawtrey	„ William Banester
*John Capelin	Thomas Chaffin
*Nicholas Capelin	Heirs of Thomas Fleming
*William Staveley	Edward Dorrell
*Edward Wilmot	Heirs of William Thesey
*John Gregory	*John Aunde
*George Mylle	*Lawrence Groce
Heirs of Thomas Mylle	*Barnard Cartmill
(inf. aet.)	John Martin
„ Thomas Wells	*Richard Daye
Thomas Fashin	*James Webbe
	*The Wardens of St. Lawrence

¹ [Translation -Cuttethorn: The Law Court of our Lady the Queen there held before John Brodock, Mayor of the town of Southampton, and the Aldermen and Discretes of the same town for the term of Hock, viz., the Tuesday [May 7] next after Hock Tuesday [April 30] according to the ancient custom of the same town, in the eighth year of the reign of Elizabeth, by the grace of God queen of England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, etc.]

Free Suitors—continued.

David Lowes	*Richard Cowde
*Huge Darvalte	Heirs of Thomas Casbert
Heirs of John Comerland	„ John Vovert
„ Thomas Fuller	„ Roger Delacourt
„ Richard Mershe	James Yeling
*Richard Bayly	James Vibert
Heirs of Reginald Blewet	

NOTE: Those to whose names an asterisk is prefixed are marked in the book with the word "comp," short for "comparat," (= he is present). It is to be assumed that the remainder were absent.

"STALL AND ART" LISTS.

	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—"Parochia Sanctæ Crucis"	41 ...	2d — 6/8 ...	£1 . 10 . 10
II.—"Sanct Mychales Ward and Saynct Johnes" ... }	97 ...	2d — 5/- ...	£1 . 10 . 6
III.—"Parochia Omnium Sancto- torum infra Barram" ... }	36 ...	2d — 3/4 ...	£0 . 19 . 0
IV.—"Saynct Lawrence Warde"	26 ...	2d — 10/- ...	£1 . 9 . 6
	<u>200</u>		<u>£5 . 9 . 10</u>

Of the two hundred entries in these lists of assessments for "Stall and Art" the majority are devoid of information. But in eighty-three cases the occupations of the persons assessed are given. It may be of interest to enumerate these recorded occupations, although the fact that so many remain unrecorded makes the enumeration quite valueless as a basis of historical inference.

Baker ...	1	Glaziers ...	2	Shoemakers ...	2
Barbers ...	2	Glover ...	1	Skinner ...	1
Barber-Surgeons ...	2	Grocer ...	1	Surgeon ...	1
Basketmaker ...	1	Innholder ...	1	Tailors ...	16
Bowyer ...	1	Jerkin-maker ...	1	Taverner and	
Brewer ...	1	Labourers ...	3	Tippler ...	1
Butchers ...	2	Lockyer ...	1	Tipplers (Retailers	
Carpenter ...	1	Mariners ...	4	of Beer) ...	14
Clothmaker ...	1	Merchants ...	8	Tipplers and	
Cobbler ...	1	Merchant and		Brewers ...	2
Currier ...	1	Tippler ...	1	Victualler ...	1
Cutler ...	1	Porter ...	1	Weyners	
Fishmonger ...	1	Shearman ...	1	(Wagoners) ...	3
		Shipwright ...	1		

PRESENTMENTS.

1.—Mr. Reniger to set up his Rails.

"Item we p^resent John Renig^r gent. hathe not sett vp hys Raylles as he hade in comandement the last yere wherefore he hathe forfeit 20/- & yt ys further gevyn in comandement to the sayd m^r Renyg^r to set vp the sayd Raylles on thyssyd the feast of Saynct mycaell the arcangell next vpon payne of 40/- or ells to leave it as he founde it." (Cf. 1569, § 1).

2.—The Wells in St. Michael's and St. John's Parishes.

"Item we present tha^t the welles in Saynct myhelles and saynct Johnes be not clensyd and Repayred as yt hathe be geven them in comandement, wherefore they have forfeit 20/-, be yt now therefore comandyd vnto the sayd inhabytants that they dow clense & Repayre the same on thyssyd the feast of Saynct mycaell vpon payen of 40/-." (Cf. 1551, § 22, and 1571, § 49).

3.—The Watercourse near Gosling lane to be scoured.

"Item we present owen symones hathe not mendyd the watter cowrse of hys close by goslen lane as he had in comandement the last yere, wherefore he hathe forfeit hys payen w^{ch} was 10/- & now be yt comandyd vnto thomas fulleres wydo to escowre the sayd watter cowrse on thyssyd y^e feast of saynct bartyllmew the apostyll vpon payen of 20/-." (Cf. 1569, § 53).

4.—The Ditch near Padwell to be scoured by Sir Francis Dawtrey.

"Item we p^resent Syr francys Dawtre Knyght hathe not escowryd hys dyche next adjoynyng to padwell wherefore he hathe forfeit 13/4, be yt therefore comandyd vnto hym to escower the same on thyssyd the feast of St. bartyllmew y^e apostell next vpon payen to Losse 26/8, we have dyveres tymes complayned & no Reformacyon." (Cf. 1569, § 20).

5.—The Archery Butts not Maintained.

"We have dyveres tymes p^resentyd that the inabytants have not there bowes & arrowes acordyng to the statewtes, & allso that the butts are not mayntained & Reparyd, wherefore we desyer yet once agayen a Reformacion herein may be hadde." (Cf. 1551, § 18, and 1569, § 3).

6.—Back-of-the-Walls to be laid with Gravel.

"We p^resentyd the last yere that the inabytants in y^e est syde of the towen should mend the wey between there gardenes & the towen walles wth gravell that men myght passe tha^t way on fowte in the wynter tyme, we desyer Reformacyon therin may be hade owt of hand for at wynter yt wylbe to latte to Reforme y^e same from the est gatte to gods howse gatte, that every Inabytant do make agaynst there grownd & garden on thyssyd the feast of saynct John baptyst vpon payne of 10/-." (Cf. 1569, § 21).

7.—Highway from Houndwell Cross to the Brickhouse to be mended and the Ditches Scoured.**8.—Beer brewed in Houses contrary to Statute.**

"We p^resent tha^t m^r wylmot, thomas awsten, Raynold howse dowthe brew bere in there howses contrary to the statewt, wherefore we desyer Reformacyon therein to be had."

9.—Fence between the grounds of Peter Janverin and Thomas Sanders.

"We p^resent that peter Janvryn owght to fence thomas sanderes garden next ajoyning to hys grownd on thyssyde the feast of Saynct bartyllmew y^e apostell next vpon payen to forfet 6/8."

10.—Fence between the grounds of Peter Janverin and Richard Etner.

"We p^resent tha^t peter Janvren owght allso to macke the fence betwen hym & Rychard Etner, w^{ch} ys all Redy made by Rychard Etner wherefore we dow award tha^t peter Janvryn shall pay Rychard Etner toward hys chargys $\frac{3}{4}$ & peter Janvren hereafter to mayntayen the Same hedge as hys owen, p^rovided allwayes tha^t yf the sayde hedge dow not prosper to be a Lawffull fence tha^t the sayd peter shall allwayes mayntayen a Lawffull fence."

11.—General Orders for Fencing.

"the cawse why we have p^resentyd as aforesayd ys for tha^t we cannot fynde the contrary onlesse the enclosyng of grownds agayen [adjoining] comen or hyghwayes, & devydyng of grownds by the Land Lord, and Syche Shall follo the orderes y^e mayntayneng of there gvtters y^e the east the west & y^e sowth to mayntayen the north, exept yt be abowt the castell w^{ch} ys Rownd & thys order in that place but as yt hathe bene acostomed."¹

¹ The meaning of this regulation is that in a row of houses running east and west each person was to keep in order one fence or gutter, viz., that on the west side of his ground: similarly in a street running north and south, each occupier was to be responsible for the "defence" of his northern boundary.

12.—Thomas Hoskins to scour his Ditch at Canshot.

"Be yt comanded to thomas hoskins that he eskowre his diche at caneshote and pile [make up] his bank that yt may not encroche vpon the highway as yt hath don on thisside bartilmew tyde vpon paine of 10/-" (Cf. 1569, § 2).

13.—Houndwell Conduit and Wielt's Well to be repaired.

"Item we p^rsente that the condite hedd in howndewell felde is decayed and have neade of reparacons, and also wietts well ys not fensyd but that the catall fall Into yt and be in dangere of theire lyves." (Cf. 1569, § 26).

14.—The Tower near Mr. Crook's needs Repairing.**15.—The Bulwark near God's House Tower needs Repairing.**

"Item the bulwork by goodshowse tower, to be amended In the tymberwoke."

16.—The West Quay needs Repairing.

"Item the pyleing and ropeing of the weste caye ys to be also amended."

17.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Saltmarsh.

"Item that the soyle caryed into the Saltemarshe maye be alweyes caste Into the holes¹ w^r nede is, and not throun vpon the grasse as yt is and hathe bine, and that ther maye be men appointed to pointe the carters w^r he shall ley yt, and that yt may alweyes forthewith be put in the placs nedefull as yt shalbe appoynted, and that the carters cary none to howndwell pitts in the som^{er} time." (Cf. 1569, § 74).

18.—The Digging of Clay by the Brewers on the Saltmarsh.

"Item be yt comanded to ev^{ere} bere brewer that digeth claye in salte m^{ar}she forth wth to fill all that they have herefore diged, and hereaft^{er} to dige not excepte they forthwth fill the hols they didge wth earth or donge vpon payne to forfeit ev^{ere} suche offence 3/4." (Cf. 1569, § 6).

¹ Clay was taken from the Saltmarsh by brewers, who used it to fill the bungholes of their casks. The holes in the ground thus left had to be filled up with the refuse of the town. Professor Mason suggests an interesting reference to Hamlet V., 1—"To what base uses may we return, Horatio! Why may not imagination trace the noble dust of Alexander, till he find it stopping a bung hole? . . . as thus: Alexander died, Alexander was buried, Alexander returneth to dust, the dust is earth, of earth we make loam; and why, of that loam, whereto he was converted, might they not stop a beerbarrel?"

19.—Cattle for the Common to be delivered to the Cowherd.

"ffirste that the Kyne by theire own^{er}s or there s^{er}vants be deliv^{er}de to the coward that he maye know the names of ev^{er}e man that hathe eny Kine or horses to goo in the comyn." (Cf. 1550, § 65.)

20.—Order for the Cowherd concerning the Collecting of Cattle.

"Item that when the Kine goo to the comyn heth [heath] then to be deliv^{er}de to the cowards by 6 of the cloke in the morneynge, and that the Kyne be mylked and deliv^{er} to the cowarde at hownd-well crosse by 6 of the cloke at nyght as maney as shall goo to the hethe, and that the coward shall alweyes answor to the owners as maney Kine as shalbe lackeng by his neclegence and defalte."

21.—Order for the Cowherd concerning the Milking of Cattle.

"Item that the cowards shall alweyes bringe the Kyne to be mylked to suche place and placs as he shalbe appoynte him to bringe them to."

22.—Order for Cowherd concerning number of Cattle and payments from Burgesses.

"Item that the coward take not of eny man above two beasse, and that ev^{er}e man that puteth eny cowe to hime in the sum^{er} shall paye his charge as well in winter as in som^{er} excepte he sell away his Kowe." (Cf. 1551, § 4).

23.—Order concerning Cattle too late for Cowherd.

"Item yf eny Kine be not deliv^{er}de to the coward by the howres foresaid, then the coward to departe at his owre wth such as he hath redy, and thene the residue which be not deliv^{er}de him by the owre be not redy then, to be drevē to the comyn by the own^{er}s of them or by theire s^{er}vants and theare at the heth deliv^{er}de to the coward, and yf eny be neglygente in the deliv^{er}y of theire Kine contrary to this ordere and suffreth the Kine to strey In the strets or lanes and do eny harme the ownere to answere to the damage, and yf they doo but strey into the lanes the own^{er} to forfet 2d. for ev^{er}e suche defalte, and ev^{er}e man to paye for his horsbeasse that go in eny comyns as much as for the Kine."

24.—Drivers and Overseers of the Common appointed.

(1) AS DRIVERS OF THE COMMON eight men are appointed, two from each of the four wards.

(2) AS OVERSEERS OF THE COMMON four of the Leet Jurors are appointed, viz., John Ayles, Thomas Dingley, Thomas Bucke, William Singleton. (Cf. 1569, § 8).

25.—Orders for the Drivers of the Commons.

"ffyrste yt is agreed that the drevers shall ev^{er} 14 dayes at the leaste Vew the comyns abowte the towne to see yf eny do surcharge the same, as yf eny townes man have above the numbere of two beasse or that there be eny strang beasse theare, and yf there be to bringe theme to the pownde . . . and the driv^{er} to take for ev^{er} beaste soo takne and pounded 4d." (Cf. 1569, § 8).

26.—All Cattle put on the Common to be marked.

"Item that none put eny cowe or horse, gealdeinge, mare or colde into the comyn before they are burned with the towne m^{ar}ke p^{re}pared therfor vpon payne to forfeite to the dryver 6d., and to the mainteyance of the geats w^{ch} inclose the comyn other 6d."

27.—Drivers to be fined for Mis-marking Cattle.

"Item the saied drev^{er}s to forfeitt for ev^{er} tyme they shall mysset the said m^{ar}ke or mys place hit, 12d."

28.—The Town Mark for Cattle.

"the m^{ar}ke ys to be sette vpon the nere buttocke or lege behinde and the 'H' to be sette as this m^{ar}ke in the m^{ar}gente is." (Cf. 1577, § 94).

The following is a fac-simile of this entry with the marginal mark:—

LSI *Copy made into the Little to the Towne
Blethorne in 1570. By Sunday and 20. 2
600. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100.*

29.—Cows not to stand in the Street.

This entry is substantially the same as 1550, § 10, q.v. Cf. also 1551, § 5.

30.—Hogs in the Streets, Quays, etc.

"Item that none suffer eny hogs to go at large vpon eny of the Cayes [quays] or vpon the towne ditches or wth in the walls of the saied towne or In salte m^{as}he vpon paine to furfette for ev^{er}e hoge soo founde for ev^{er}e tyme soo offending 4d." (Cf. 1551, § 7, and 1571, § 62).

31.—Hogs in Houndwell and Hoglands.

"Item none (*i.e.* no hogs) goo in howndwell ffilde or hoglonde or mawdelin ffields but only In the tyme of harvas aftere the corne is cutte and they Ringed or peged and yooked, vpon like payne."

32.—Who may put Cattle on the Common? Only Householdors who pay Watch and Ward.

"Item that non put eny catall Into the comyn w^{ho} is not a howseholder and paye watche and warde vpon payne to furfet for ev^{er}e tyme so offendinge 2/- to be devided as aforesaid. And that ev^{er}e man shall paye for ev^{er}e geldeinge & mare as for a kow."

33.—God's House Ground should not be enclosed before Lady Day.

"Item we p^{re}sente that the comyne tyme of Inclosment ys at o^r lady daye the annunciation and that godds howsse ought not to enclose their gronde before the tyme of Incloement w^{ch} is as aforesaid and that they Inclose before that daye w^hefore we desire redresse therof accordinge to thord^{er} of the towne."¹

34.—Regulations concerning Sale of Butter in Winter.

"Item for as muche as we finde that thengrossenge of buttre by the Ingrossers & powderars² therof vnder collore to selle yt at wintere ys a grete hynderence to all thinhabitants Riche & pore for by their Ingrossenge in the begynnyng of the yere (they) kepe vppe the p^{ri}ce & soo all Syltenge [salting] tyme tyll toward wintere that butter wexith scarce agen, w^hefore we require that ther maye be noo butter solde owte of the ma^rkette & thear

¹ This interesting entry introduces us to a long-standing dispute between the Corporation of Southampton and the Warden of God's House. For details, cf. Davies's *History of Southampton*, pp. 52-54. The dispute had been settled by a compromise in 1504. The land in question was to be enclosed to the exclusive use of God's House from the Purification (Feb. 2nd) to Lammas (Aug. 1st). For the remainder of the year (Aug. 1st to Feb. 2nd) it was to be Common to the people of Southampton. From this entry it would appear that the Leet Jury were trying to extend their claim to Common from Feb. 2nd to March 25th.

² Powderer—a person who powders butter, that is sprinkles it with salt; so "powder tub" is the vessel in which meat is salted.

lette the contry selle yt as dre as they can & then no man take vpon him to selte [salt] eny more butter then shalbe for his necessary & resonable p^rvision and that by the Judgement yf yt require of m^r mayre and his bretherne accordinge to the number of his howseholde & that noo butter so Ingrossed vnder collere of butter for theire howsse be solde at winter opynly or previly Ingrose [wholesale] or Retayle vpon payne of $\frac{3}{4}$ for ev^ey pounce so solde the halffe to the towne & to thother that p^rsente yt provided alwey that yt shalbe Lawfull to all men that will bye buttere 30 myles owte of Suthampton to Retayle yt so they bringe w^t them a sufficient Testimoniall where & of whome they bought yt & also doo ffrome tyme to tyme make m^r maire prevy of all the butter soo bought & at the time of retayleinge of butter how moche he hath to retayle for the wintere."

35.—All the Taverners have sold Wine contrary to the Statute.

The jurors ask for redress.

36.—Unlicensed Tipplers.

"Iteme as far as we cane vnderstonde these whoes names are vndere & Named doo tyle wthowte licence, that is to sey John Manfride, Roberte bedham, willm foleat, william hobbes, John davy, Nicholas Roche, William Stevens, in Sanct Michaels & Sancts John warde.

"John Beve in alhalond [All Saints'] p^risshe Clerke the mason of est strete, John thorne brewer."

37.—Unlawful Games.

"More [moreover] for that onlawfull games as boleng [bowling] at the Kings orchard coytres [quoits] at the west caye is comynly vsed and divers tymes p^rsented and no remeded we desire s^che soo that and all othere unlawfull games maye be made accordeinge to the statute. And that Rosse maye be sente for to answor yow whate playars at bowles play ther and so to take ordere to him accordeinge." (Cf. 1569, § 41).

38.—The Butchers combine to enhance the Price of Beef and so cause various inconveniences.

"Item the pore complayne to us that the buchers sell ther meate derer than they dyd at ester, and that at mooste tymes ther is noo beeffe for them to take holm (as vpon satersdaye the

4th of maye by noone thee was not one morsell of beaffe to be solde), and as yt semeth to us the bowchars beinge assured none shall hurte them and for one daye the strang bowchers mooste comynly bringe but lytill beefe, And then goo o^r bowchars, 2 or 3 or more to an ox or stere, by the w^{ch} they moostelyke agree to sell at one p^rice w^{ch} agrement yf yt be so is contrary to a statute the penaltie w^of is as we r^em^ember £10, and then they have ther calves now moost comynly to furniss the m^arket when the beeffe is gone & hereby the p^rice is not only w^oowte spedy remedy lyke to encreyse but the chandelere to have but small store of talow to make candells wth, w^hfore as we have a ffree markette soo we desire all victulers may come and sell their victualls ffrely, as they have don for their is more spokin of this then we have writen."

39.—The Butchers to cast their Offal into the Sea, and not at the end of Thomas Astin's garden.

"Item we p^resent the bowchers above the barre or ther s^er^vants do comynly caste the bludde & garbage of the catall they kylle at thende of thomas astins gardin vpon the banke as men goe to hill-ward to the grete anoyance as well of the same Thomas as all other that passe by, wherefore be yt comanded that they avoyd [cease doing] the same vpon warneing to them geven and caste no more theare but Into the see, w^r yt maye anoy no man & that vpon payne of 3/4 to ev^{er}e of them for ev^{er}e tyme they soo offende."

40.—The Town lacks Standard Weights.

"We ffinde that ther lack in the Awdit howsse certen weaght w^hy we cannot soo Justely try the weights of others as we mought do, for we were drevn to borow weightts of other men to try theme by whiche weightts we knownot w^r they be trew or falce ffor lacke o^r standerd, & therof [therefore] we desire they may be p^rovided w^t all convenient sped & that the weights for weying of bred be also p^rovided in brasse."

41.—Orders for the weighing of Bottells of Hay.

This is a long and rambling entry. The Jury say that they have called into their presence "Hugh Foster who sayth he hath bne sworne to be heywinder in Suthampton." They charge him to see that bottells and half-bottells are made by weight only. All innkeepers are to have "beame scales" and weights ready at their doors, but their bottells of hay are to be made, not by themselves, but only by the "sworne officers."

42.—False Weights and Measures.

Nineteen people enumerated as selling bottells of hay too light, or as having false weights and measures. They are fined, apparently on no general principle, from 2d. to 2/-.

43.—Stronger Scales and Heavier Weights to be provided at the Weigh-house.

"Item In the way howsse the beme ys to weake to wey eny greate weight as a botte of currans or pipe of proynes [prunes] w^{fore} men be dryvne at several tymes to take them at a venture or to breke them and wey them in p^{cells} at ther howses, and lykewise ther laketh weight to wey yt, further div^{ers} of them are to light, yt maye therefore please yew to provide a sufficient beame Jaredyngs [? yardarms] wth skales and weights accordeinge."

44.—"The Place where the Masts lie" to be Cleansed.

"Item we p^{esente} that the place w^r the masts lye ys moast onhonistely vsed to the grete anoyance of all the comers by, be yt comanded to thinhabitants there abowts to make yt cleane on thisside wittesonetide next."

45.—Filth cast over the Walls by the Porters and others..

"Item we p^{esente} that the porters and Maister bowears [makers of bows] wth others have caste the donge of the stables ov^{er} the walls w^r the Backe was wante to stonde, be yt comonnded that they Redde yt away before the saied feste, & to caste no more theare vpon payne to furfette for ev^{er} tyme so doinge 3/4."

46.—Mr. Edward Wilmot to move a Bank of Gravel.

"Iteme be yt comanded to Mr. Edward wilmot that he caste the banke off gravell that come ote of his diche Abrode in the strete or in thother side of the strete soo that the water may Rone owte of the highway into hys dyches & that on thissid the saied feaste vpon payne of 10/- (in the wyndmill lane)." (Cf. 1569, § 22.)

47.—Salt bitch in the Street.

"Item we p^{esint} that steven Monsanger have sufferde hys Sawte byche to goe in the strete contrarye to the orders of the towne wher ffor we do amerse hym in 12d."

43.—John Jackson

for a similar offence fined 12 pence.

49.—The Coopers to mark all their Casks.

"that yt may plesse yow^r worsshypes to calle before you all the cowpares & to geve them in comandement that they put there marke Every man vpon the barelleles & hogsedes & vyrkynes [firkins] that they macke, as the Statewte hathe p^rovidyd in that behalfe tha^t yf the caske be fownd in defawte of there messeres tha^t they owght to contayen, they may be amersyd acording to there desarts, for we fynd caskes fawtye & for tha^t they are not marked we canot tell who we shall amerse."

50.—Sir Francis Dawtrey oppresses the Common.

Four lines of this entry are scored through. From what remains it appears that Sir Francis Dawtrey by his herdsman sent to the "Comyn Heth" twenty or twenty-four head of cattle contrary to the orders of the town and that he refused to remove them. The Jurors "desire reformacion." (Cf. 1569, §§ 28 and 29.)

51.—St. Mary's Street to be repaired.

"Item we p^resent that the highe wey ffrom Thomas Cortemyll howsse to Mr. Knight howsse in sant maris strete ys very fowlle & deape at winter, & therefore we desire yt maye be amended by them that ought to make yt, upon payne of 3/4 to be paied by ev^{er}y man that ought to helpe amende the wey & dothe not we meane accordeinge to the statute."

52.—Mr. Nicholas Capelin to scour his Ditch.

"Item be yt comannned to mr. nicolas Capelin to Redde away the earthe caste owte of his diche into the strete w^hin este gate that the water may avoyde owte of the highway Into his diche & on thisside mydsom^{er} vpon payné of 10/-."

53.—The Town Porters and their Evil Habits.

"Item for as moch as the porters be moche complained vpon for that they geve not theirre attendance & do not there dutie to the m^{er}chants & suche as vse to Lade carts in the towne, theirre hathe byn like complaints before now & ordere for redresse w^{ch} bok we have not, w^fore we desire yt maye be redressed accordinge to yo^r good discessions. And forther yt complained that

they will have theire dutie [dues or fees] for Ladeinge of the carts though they syt at alehousses whiles the carte is laden by the carters & beside geve them evill language, wth cawseth the towne to have an evill name, yt was once ordered that yf they w^r required to lade the carts & that they absented themselves in alehowses or such like soo that the Cart^{er} did lade the carte the porters shulde have nothin for the ladeinge." (Cf. 1551, §45.)

54.—Fishermen for fishing with nets.

"Item we p^{re}sente that the ffisher men wthin o^r liberties doo ffishe wth netts contrary to the statute w^{by} the ffry is distroyed, wherefore we desire hastie remedy acordeinge to the same acte" (28 Car. I).

55.—Assault and Affray.

(a) "Item we p^{re}sente that Andrew stove hath made asalte and Afray vpon Robert Hews man (?) wth a [?] broke his hedde & drew blud of him."

(b) "Item that John thorne made asawte and afray vpon his brother thom^s & w^t a dag^{er} as yt is saied drewe blode of him."

56.—Unlawful Shooting by Doctor Martin's man.

"Item that doctor Martin's¹ man the 16 of may 1566 did wth a gon shote in Suthampton contrary to the statute, w^{fore} yt may please yow to se the statute & put yt In execution as by yo^r discescon shall be thought good and the rather for that he did therby hurte m^r. Vincents daught^{er} as yt is openly knowen."

57.—Thomas Witney

ordered to new make his "bouney" or gutter so that it may reach to Cornelius Poyntetewer's ditch in East Street.

NOTE :—On the last page of this book are written the signatures of the Jurors, most of the names being preceded by the words "per me" or "by me," e.g.,

"Per me Thomas Torner."

"By me Lawrence Groce."

¹ The Stall and Art List of this year names William Martin as a barber-surgeon in All Saints Parish.

A.D. 1569.

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Title : Cothorne: CURIA LEGALIS dominæ reginæ tenta apud Cothorne prædictam pro villa et comitate Southamptonaë coram Johanno Crooke majore dictæ villæ Southamptonaë ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem villæ pro termino de Hocke, viz die martis proximo post Hocketwesdaye secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, Franciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc undecimo.¹

Mayor (1568-69): John Crooke.

Jurors:

Richard Godderd	Hugh Darvall	William Denys
William Jeffreys	Richard Daye	Richard Netley
Thomas Shuxborow	William Singleton	John Elzie
John Jackson	John Ayles	Richard Etner
Lawrence Sendie	John Mylls	

Free Suitors:

Henry, Earl of Arundel	Thomas Chaffin
*The Prior of God's House	Heirs of Nicholas Coward
The Warden of Winchester College	„ Richard Hawkins (inf. aet.)
The Presentator of S. Mary's	Richard Whitte
Heirs of Anthony Pound	Heirs of Walter Backer
„ Thomas Pace	„ Henry Whittoft
„ Sir Francis Dawtrey	„ — Banister
*John Capelin	*Richard Godderd
*Nicholas Capelin	Reginald House
*William Staveley	*Lawrence Sendie
*Edward Wilmot	Heirs of Thomas Fleming
*John Gregory	Edward Darrell
Heirs of George Mylle	Heirs of John Anne
„ Thomas Mylle	*Barnard Cortmill
Thomas Fashin	

¹ For Translation of. 1568. Hock Tuesday was April 26, and the Court Day, May 2, 1569.

Free Suitors—continued.

Heirs of Lawrence Groce (inf. aet.)	Heirs of Richard Marshe
*Richard Däye	Richard Bayley
James Webbe	Heirs of Thomas Casbert
*Wardens of S. Lawrence's	„ John Vover (inf. aet).
*John Ayles	„ Roger Delacourt
Heirs of John Comerland	James Eling
„ Thomas Fuller	Thomas Weldon

* Free Suitors marked as present.

This year the Jurors formally "presented" those Free Suitors who did not appear and fined them 3d. each. "Imprimis we present that Henry Earle of Arrndell, etc., etc., hath made defaulte, wherefore they be amerced in 3d. a peca." Various other people were also fined for non-appearance.

"STALL AND ART" LISTS.

	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—"Sanct Crucis" ...	37	From 2d. to 5/-	£1 . 4 . 2
II.—"Sanct Michis et St. Johanns" ... }	67	„ 2d. to 5/-	£1 . 12 . 8
III.—"Sanct Lawrence" ...	19	„ 2d. to 6/8	£0 . 18 . 2
IV.—"Omn Sanctior" ...	18	„ 2d. to 3/4	£0 . 9 . 10
"Extra Barram" ...	17	„ 2d. to 3/4	£0 . 11 . 10
"Bagrew & Eastreat" ...	10	„ 2d. to 1/8	£0 . 4 . 6
	168		£5 . 1 . 2

The entries in these lists are almost without exception merely formal:—So-and-so "pro stall & arte" so much. The exceptions are that one man is described as a "masson" and that about a dozen people are named as "typlers."

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—Mr. Reniger's Roads, Rails, Ditches, and Sluices.**

"Imprimis be yt comaundid to Mr. Reniger that he amend & repayer the heyghe wayes leading to Etching fery by his ground, & to sett vppe his raylls by the dytches next saltmarshe, as in tymes past yt hath byne, & that he escowre his dytches & amend the same that watter dou not breake ov^{er} into the comon as yt now dothe, & that he amendith his sclussis in such sorte that the walter may have free corse through the same in such sorte as yt ought to be, one thissyd the feaste of St^h mychaels tharchangell next vppon payen of 20/-." (Cf. 1566, § 1, and 1571, § 6).

2.—Thomas Hoskins and William Foxe to scour their Ditches.

(Cf. 1566, § 12).

3.—The Butts to be Repaired.

"Item we present that the butts about the towne be vnrepayred, wherfore we desyre the maye be repayred, according to the statute." (Cf. 1566, § 5, and 1571, § 67).

4.—The Glovers lay their Skins by the Ditches.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the glovers about the towne wthout the barre doth Laye ther skyns in the dytches in houndwell, to the anusans of the quenes subiects, wherfor theye be amersid in 2/- & be yt comandid ev^{er}e of them to amend the same & not to offend in the Leek agayne vppon payne of 6/8 a pece."

5.—The Town Ditches near Houndwell.

"Item we present that the raylls about the towne dytches next houndwell be not sett vppe & mayntayned as in tymes past yt hath byne, w^{ch} is very nessesary to be don the mayntenance wherof we desyre for that yt is nedfull for div^{er}s causes."

6.—The Brewers not any more to dig Clay in the Saltmarsh.

"for that theire is suffitient of y^e Lyke claye in other placs to be had, viz. behynd the george." (Cf. 1566, § 18, and 1571, § 41).

7.—Mr. Reniger to make Sluices near the Dock.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha^t John Rinig^{er} gent. ought to make sclusses to avoyde [carry off] y^e wat^{er} & so to kepe them repayred from tyme to tyme that y^e wat^{er} may be kept out of y^e Comon w^{ch} is neere y^e docke, w^{ch} p^{ar}t of y^e ground or Comon except in tyme some order be taken tha^t the water may be ryd, yt is lyke to turne to a marres [marsh], the vnderstandinge wheareof we dessier to be knowen by you."

8.—The Orders for the Drivers of the Common contained in the Book for 1567, to be observed.

[The book for 1567 is lost, but cf. 1566, §§ 24 and 25].

9.—A Pair of Stocks for Above Bar.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha^t yt is very nessesarye to have a peyre of stocks above y^e bar for tha^t it ys declarid vnto vs tha^t many vacabonds for y^e want theareof goithe vnpunished." (Cf. 1571, § 8).

10.—A Gutter over S. Michael's Prison to be reformed.

"It. we p^{re}sent tha^t theare is a gutt^{er} ov^{er} saint mighels p^{ri}sson w^{ch} annoyeth as well y^e neighbours dwellinge theare abowts as also suche as pasethe bye, by reason of y^e fylthie smell theareof, be yt thearefore comaunded to hym to whome yt app^{er}teynithe to refforme the same vpon paynes of 5/- Imediatlye vpon warninge gyven." (Cf. 1571, § 10).

11.—The Tipplers and others to sell Beer in Sealed Measures only.

"Item we p^{re}sent all retaylers of beere & ale as Inkepers, Taverners & typlers, who by no meanes or warnings wyll leave to sell & vtter their said vyctuals by stone Cuppes,¹ whearewth a number of people be offendid, whearefore we thinck yt good to be Comaunded vnto them & ev^{er}y of them to sell from hencefoorth by sealid mesures & none other, & to provide small stone cuppes or glasses for y^e sale of y^e same vpon payne of 6/8 for ev^{er}y tyme tha^t eny of them shall so offend."

12.—The Bakers to be Punished for not making Farthing and Half-penny Loaves.

"It. we p^{re}sent tha^t wheareas bothe y^e Lawes of y^e Realme & also y^e order of gov^{er}nment hathe appointid tha^t ev^{er}y baker wthin this towne should bake 4 loves for a peny & 2 loves for a peny & none other, except yt weare bespoken [ordered beforehand], yet nev^{er}theles y^e saide bakers dothe not bake any or at the least very lyttell, and having bynne div^{er}s tymes am^{er}sed thearefore, & y^e poore people muche gryved thearewth, we thearefore thincke yt meete that they & ev^{er}y of them doo pay y^e mersements seassid vpon their hedds [imposed upon them individually]. And y^e rest of y^e punishment accordinge to y^e statute y^e paynes of the pillorye, y^e bakers names Rich. Cowde, John moore." (Cf. 1550, § 27).

13.—Weights to be sealed only in presence of Jurors.

"Item we present tha^t wheareas y^e last lawe day we made request tha^t no mesures nor weights should be sealid by thoffic^{er} wthout 2 of y^e Jury at y^e least or some other men of discession apointid yet nev^{er}theles we vnderstand, tha^t their hathe byn seallinge wthout y^e said order to th^e hynderance of dyvers, whearefore we dessier tha^t theare be nothinge sealid, but by order forsaide, vpon payne tha^t the s^{er}jaunt shall lose for ev^{er}y mesure so sealid by hym wthout y^e said order for ev^{er}y tyme 12d." (Cf. 1551, § 53).

¹ Stone cups could not be sealed or stamped.

14.—Wood brought improperly into the market.

"It. we p^{re}sent tha^t yt is Relatid vnto vs that a number of people tha^t bringithe woode to y^e towne is Contrary to thassise & for tha^t it is wthin y^e Chardge of m^r maiors offyce beeinge Clarke of the m^{ar}ket, we Reffer yt to yo^r discessions & more tha^t no man may be sufferid to bringe any vnmarked into y^e towne." ¹ (Cf. 1571, § 9).

15.—Aulnagers of Cloth to be appointed.

"Item we dessier that their may be avnigers appointid accordinge to y^e statute for tha^t yt hathe byn saide that theare is false clothe made wthin this towne by certayne." (Cf. 1571, § 42).²

16.—Highways to be mended in East Street and Above Bar.

"Item we dessier that ev^{er}y housholder dwellinge in the east streate & above y^e bar, doo amend the heighe waies beffore theare doores wth g^{ra}vell wheare as neede shall requier, by the discession of suche as yo^r worships shall appoynt vpon payne of 12d. for ev^{er}y p^{er}son tha^t shall so offend." (Cf. 1571, § 13).

17.—The Wall near East Gate not repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha^t y^e towne wall at theast gate is not Amendid w^{ch} we have dyv^{er}s tymes p^{re}sentyd, beeinge Annoyans to the hole towne & Convayence for many things & wheare by falsse varlets doo escape."

18.—Vagabonds and Beggars not to be allowed to repair to the Town.

"Item we doo p^{re}sent tha^t wheareas the most number of thinhabitants of this towne arre taxed accordinge to y^e statute³ towards y^e relyffe of the poore of this towne yet nev^{er}theles suche a number of vacabonds & beggars doo repayre in y^e saide towne, Contrary to y^e statute in tha^t behalffe provided & to y^e greate Chardge of thenhabitannts theareof, and we suppose y^e Cryer to be in y^e hole fault, who dothe nothings thearin, whearefore we dessier refformation by yo^r worships."

¹ The office of Clerk to the Market seems to have been conferred by royal charter 1401. The office carried with it the right to hold the assizes of bread and beer, to assay weights and measures, and generally to regulate goods coming into or sold in the market of the borough.

² Magna Charta (3 Hy. III., c. 26) had established one measure of cloth for the Kingdom. Officers called Aulnagers were appointed to enforce the observance of this law. Their duties were fully defined by a statute of 1338. The office continued with various modifications of function until 1700, when it was abolished by Act of Parliament. (11 and 12 W. III., c. 20).

³ The first compulsory poor law was the statute of 1563 (5 Eliz., c. 3). Up to that time poor relief had been a matter left entirely to charity.

19.—William Nutshaw's encroachment upon the Queen's Highway.

"Item we p^{re}sented tha' will^m nutshawe hathe not taken vp his hedge nor fylled his ditche wth he hathe encrochid vpon y^e queenes highe way as yt was gyven hym in Comaundement, whearefore he hathe forfaightid 10/-, be yt Comaunded vnto hym tha' y^e same be redressid beefore y^e feast of S^t Mighell next vpon payne of 20/-." (Cf. 1573, § 41).

20.—The Ditch near Padwell to be scoured by Lady Dawtrey.

"Item we p^{re}sented tha' my lady dawtery hathe not escourid hyr ditche next adioyninge vnto padwell as S^r franncis duringe hys lyffe had in Comaundement to doo before y^e feast of all Sainncts last past, whearefore he hathe forfaightid hys payne w^{ch} was 26/8 and be yt furder comaunded vnto y^e said Lady dautery that she doo escower y^e said ditche on this syde y^e feaste of al saincts next vpon payne of 33/4." (Cf. 1566, § 4).

21.—Back of the Walls to be put into repair.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto m^r. John gregory & to peter Janvrin¹ & all others tha' hathe grownds & gardyns towards y^e towne wales that they & ev^{er}y of them for their p^{ar}ts doo exalt & amend the heigh way behynd the said ground & gardins & y^e said towne walles, on this syde y^e feast of St. Mighell next vpon payne of 6/8 to ev^{er}y p^{er}son that so shall offend & that they nor eny of them lay any donnge behind y^e walles vpon the lyke payne of 6/8 for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge." (Cf. 1566, § 6).

22.—Mr. Edward Wilmot to repair his ditch in Windmill Lane.

"Item we p^{re}sented tha' Edward wylmot alderman hathe incrochid vpon the Kings highe way wth a dytche in y^e wyndmyll lane whearefore he hathe forfaightid 10/- and yt is furder Comanndid vnto the said edward wylmot to reffourme y^e same on this syde the feast of St. mighell tharcannell next cominge vpon payne of 20/-, and also to pyle [build up] his bancke w^{ch} is y^e Cause why y^e ditch in y^e same lane is so decayed vpon y^e lyke payne." (Cf. 1566, § 46, and 1573, § 7).

23.—Thomas Vaughan the elder to scour his ditch in Goswell Lane,
upon pain of 10/-.

24.—Robert Bedham to "amend y^e bouney in roggesden [Rockstone] Lane,"

upon pain of 10/-.

¹ We learn from the list of Free Suitors in 1574 and other years that Peter Janverin was the tenant of a hostiery called "The Star."

25.—The Highway from St. Mary's Church to Hogland Stile needs repairing,

and should be attended to.

26.—Houndwell Conduit and Wielt's Well not to be polluted by Butchers.

"Be yt Comaunded tha' no butcher nor any other p^{er}son heere-after washe or dres y^e inwards of any beasts at y^e heade of houndwell or wyets well vpon payne of 3/4 for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge." (Cf. 1566, § 13).

27.—Sacks of Coals too light.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha' y^e sacks of Colles w^{ch} Comythe to the towne arre for y^e most p^{ar}t to lyttell & contaynithe skant 3 booshels as yt hathe byn reportid & aproved whearefore yt weare good tha' theare sacks weare now & then approved [proved, tested] & met [measured]." (Cf. 1571, § 10.)

28.—Lady Dawtrey overcharges the Common with Sheep.

"Item we p^{re}sent that my lady daughtery hathe kept syns the last lawe day vpon the comon of o^r towne six score sheepe by the confession of hyr shep^{er}d, w^{ch} kept them to y^e great hynder-annce of the inhabitantns of y^e same towne, whearefore she hathe forfaightid for ev^{er}y sheepe so kept 4d., & be yt furder comanded vnto the said ladye tha' from henceforthe tha' she shall not cause eny of hyr said sheepe theare to be kept vpon y^e lyke payne of 4d. pece." (Cf. 1566, § 50.)

29.—Lady Dawtrey overcharges the Common with Cattle.

"Item more we p^{re}sent tha' y^e said Ladye dautery hathe since y^e last lawdey kept vpon y^e Comon of y^e said towne div^{er}s beasts to the nomb^{er} of 40 or theare abouts to y^e greate Surcharge of y^e said comon, whearefore she is amersyd to pay for hyr forfeighture 6d. for ev^{er}y beast so offendinge & be yt furder Comandid vnto y^e saide Lady dawtery tha' she cause no suche beasts to be kept heereafter vpon y^e said Comon vpon y^e lyke payne." (Cf. last entry and 1566, § 50.)

30.—Quayte's Widow : her fence, her well, and her gutter.

"Item we p^{re}sent that quayts wedowe hath forfeitid 13/4 for not setting vp of the palle between anderson & her w^{ch} standith vppon the sayd anndersons grounde & hath not sufferid him to have the vse of the well as yt was geven in comaundement, &

be yt farther comaunded vnto her to remove the same palle & that annderson have the vse of the well & that she amend her gutter between the wallenotte tree & anderson's house, one thissid the feaste of saynt John baptiste next vppon the leke payne."

31.—Paving-stones for the Street: their enhanced Price.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha' wheare as y^e Comon Inhabitannts of this towne weare wont to have at theare nede pavinge stones for theire doores out of y^e Rounsivall¹ for 4d. a lode, & nowe of late they cannot have none vnder 8^d y^e lode, beesyds y^e Cariadge w^{ch} cost them 4^d y^e lode, w^{ch} is in all 12^d y^e lode, w^{ch} is a greate gryffe to y^e said inhabitaunts, whearefore we dessier yo' worships tha' you wold consider of yt."

32.—Mr. Reginald House to put up a Chimney.

"Be yt Comaundid vnto Raynold house to cause a Chymney to be made in y^e Kytchin wheare John addisson dwellithe for that theare is a daungerous flewe w^{ch} may be a distruction to the hole towne, whearefore he hathe forfaightid hys payne tha' he was mersyd in last w^{ch} was 20/-, and be yt furder comanndid vnto y^e said raynold house tha' y^e same may be amendid on this syde st. mighell next vpon y^e lyke payne."

33.—Thomas Vaughan the Elder not to pollute the Street.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha' Thomas vaughan thelder vssithe to cast out of hys house & backesyde stinckinge savers in to y^e gutters w^{ch} bearithe y^e wat^{er} into y^e heighe streate w^{ch} is a noyans to dyvers of y^e Inhabitaunts theare abouts whearefore he was m^{er}sid in 6/8, & be yt comaundid furder vnto y^e said vaughan tha' yt may be amended vpon y^e lyk paine for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge."

34.—The Wall near Bidell's Gate decayed.

"Item we p^{re}sent that y^e towne walles betweene beddels gate & my lords lane allis [? alley's] posterne gate is nighe fallen downe by reason whearof any p^{er}son may go in & out as they wyll w^{ch} is very daungerous for div^{er}s Causses whearefore we dessier yt may be amendid."

35.—The Wall near the Galley Quay is decayed.

"Item we p^{re}sent that y^e stone wall nighe galey key or y^e salt

¹ Rounsivall is apparently a proper name, but I have not yet been able to determine its denotation. Perhaps it may refer to some portion of the ruined castle or its precincts.—ED.

house towards y^e sea is very myche broken & lyke to decay onles yt may be rep^{ar}ed in tyme w^{ch} we vnderstand ys by Mr. pytt in y^e bylding of hys newe ship." (Cf. 1571, § 14.)

36.—The Watchhouse near the Watergate in danger.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha^t y^e foundation of y^e wall vnder y^e watche house nighe watergat is myche in decay & needefull to be amendid, whearefore we dessier yt to be remembrid."

37.—A Tennis Court: Robert Yautier required to produce his licence for it.

"Item we p^{re}sent tha^t Robard vautier keepithe a tenys court w^hin this towne & saiethe tha^t Mr. walsingham hathe y^e Lycence for y^e same whiche we have requirid to be knowen, either by y^e said licence or els by y^e said mr. walsinghams letter & tha^t on this syde y^e feast of st. mighells next vpon payne of y^e statute contayned for y^e same."

38.—Mastiff Dogs and Salt Bitches not to be allowed in the Streets.

Fines for violation of this rule to go half to the "dryvers" who find them and half for the maintenance of the gates of the common. (Cf. 1550, § 13).

39.—Thomas Courtmill to scour his ditch and clear his bounney, upon pain of 6/8.

40.—Geoffrey Poynter to scour his ditch, upon pain of 6/8.

41.—Unlawful Games: very prevalent, especially on Sundays.

"ffor as myche as we weare Chardgid to enquier of vnlawfull games we do p^{re}sent tha^t theare are fewe but hathe at one tyme or other offendid & for y^t [that] we can not make report to mak theare names, we thincke it good tha^t one or 2 be appointid ev^{er}y sonday to seeke wheare y^e place of vnlawfull games are most vssid & to app^{re}hend y^e players p^{re}sently & to take y^e mony dwe for tha^t offence by statute." (Cf. 1566, § 37.)

42.—Sanitary Matters at West Quay
need attending to. (Cf. 1571, § 17.)

43.—A sink in Robert Cross's garden to be cleansed before Michaelmas upon pain of 13⁴.

44.—A Paling on the same property to be repaired,
upon pain of 10/-.

**45.—A Hedge to be put up Above Bar between the holdings of
Richard Brickenden and the Painter,**
upon pain of 3/4.

**46.—Robert Hicks to attend to certain Sanitary Matters before
Pentecost,**
upon pain of 10/-.

47.—The Weigh House in decay.

"Item we p^rsent tha' y^e end of the wey house is in greate decaye & lyke to fall downe shortlye in to m^r alpes gardyn onles some speedy remedye for y^e same be had, whearefor we dessier tha' it may be redressid." (Cf. 1571, § 18.)

48.—The Limeburner for digging Clay in Rockstone Lane.

"Item we p^rsent that the Lymeborner hath dygged claye in the Lane Leding to bevis hill callid rogesden Lane, wherby the waye ther ys founderid & the Bouny ther choked, wherfore be yt comaundid to him to amend the same & fyll vppe the places that he hath diggid betwyxt this & mydsomer vppon payne of 6/8."

49.—Chimneys to be made by John Moore the Baker and others.

"Item we p^rsent that John moore who hath & kepith the toune backehouse & for wante of a chymay wth a tonnell ov^{er} his oven hath byne Leeke to put the Towne in daynger of burning by reason thearof, for that yt standith in such a place that water cane not be had yf occason shuld be yt standith so farre frome water & the housses standinge so nighe together, wherfore be yt strayghtby chardgid & comaundid vnto the said John moore to make & ordayne his ovens for defence therof In such sorte as Rich. cowde hath orderid his ovens, & that to be don on this syde the feaste Saynt mychaell tharchangell next vppon payne of 40/- & for ev^{er}y moneth after that yt shalbe found vndon 6/8. And Lekewysse be yt comaunded vnto all those that hath backs in ther housses wthout chimnis that they make chimnes wher the same backs is for that they arr in Leeke sort dayngers, on this syd the feaste foresayd vppon payne of 10/- a pece to ev^{er}y one offending & 5/- a pece for ev^{er}y moneth after they shalbe founde vndon."

50.—Innkeepers and Taverners to wash their Pots.

"Item for as much as a certayne mane of guarnsey drinking in an alle house in this towne by reasone that they doth not vse to washe ther potts was Leeke to be powyssonid [poisoned], for voyding the danger therof we request that order maye be taken that no Inkeper, taverner or allehouse kep^{er} do sell wyne, beere or alle but that ther potts be wasshid that men that byeth the same maye se the same drawen & the pots washed to avoyd thenconvenances that maye growe therby."

51.—The Highways of the Town need repairing.

"Item we p^{re}sent that all the heyghe wayes w^{ithin} the Libertis of this towne is not repayred according to the statute the redres wherof we desire to be had." (Cf. 1550, § 58.)

52.—Conduit Heads to be kept locked for fear that the water should be poisoned.

"ffor as much as there be div^{er}s stranngers w^{ithin} this towne, doubting all of them to be frindes vnto the same, we requeste that the coundicte heddes maye be coverid, and Lokes sett thereon for feare of the poysoning of the walter w^h wold be the distruction of the towne."

53.—The Cistern in Gosling Lane is leaky.

"Allso we present that the seastron in gossling Lane as we judge is not stantche for that the water breaketh oute & that the walter corse ther is decayed, the redresse & amendment therof we desyre." (Cf. 1566, § 3, and 1574, § 56.)

54.—The Watercourse from the White Horse to the George to be scoured.

"Be yt comaundid to all those that ought to escoure & mayntayne the walter corse frome the whit hors to the geordge & so in thother syde to hoskins corner to escour & mayntayne the same ev^{er}y man before hys dore, vppon payne of 12d. a peece for ev^{er}y tyme they shall be founde to offende therein."

55.—The Depositing of Rubbish in the Castle Green.

"Be yt comaundid to all them of saynt Lauranc p^{re}ishe & all others that vse to Layethe donge in the castill grene to cary awaye the same one thissid the feast of mydsom^{er} vppon payne of 3/4 a peece, & not to laye no more ther at eny tyme hereafter vppon payne of 10/- for ev^{er}y one offending therein." (Cf. 1551, § 54, and 1576, § 25.)

56.—The Carriage of Bricks and Clay by "foreigners."

"Item we p^resent tha^t wheareas div^{er}s out of this libertie [i.e. persons not belonging to the town] have taken vpon them y^e Cariadge of bricke, Clay & Sand into this towne contrarye to Reasson for as myche as y^e porters of the same towne have taken vpon them y^e s^rvice of y^e towne as well for those comodities as for all others nessesaris, be yt thearefore Comaunded vnto all those w^h dwellithe out of y^e said liberties not to cary any of y^e same vpon paine of 12d. forfaightidge for ev^{er}y lode so brought in to y^e towne and none p^rmyttid in tha^t behalffe, but onely the saide porters and willm fev^{er}ell & y^e saide porters not to take above rod. for ev^{er}y lode of bricke cariadge & 6d. for ev^{er}y lode of Claye or sand althoughe yt be as far downe as to eny of the keyes, provided also tha^t if y^e saide porters or eny of them will refuse to Cary y^e same beeing thearevnto Requirid, then yt shalbe for ev^{er}y towne dweller lawfull to take suche as he thinkithe best as well w^hin y^e Lybertyes as w^hout."

57.—False Weights and Measures.

Twenty-seven people fined sums ranging from one penny to ten shillings.

58.—The Forestalling of Butter.

"Be yt comanded that none w^hin the towne of Southampton englishe or stranger by enne butter other then for their owne stowere in the market to eate in their howses vpon paine of forfeiture of the same butter & that none forstawell enie butter vpon the Leke paine & that none seymes [cover with grease] enie wolle w^h butter vppon paine of forfeiture for ev^{er}y defaulte 20/- after monicon geven & proclimacon made therof." (Cf. 1571, § 47.)

59.—The Overcharging of the Common by Portiswood tenants.

"Item we p^resent that the tenants of Portiswode do ov^{er}charge the Comen w^h 3 score sheppe or ther aboutes, wherfore ev^{er}y of them are am^{er}cede in 5/-, be yt Comanded to ev^{er}y of them that theye do no more so vppon paine of 20/-."

60.—The Overcharging of the Common by Mr. Fashin.

He sends three score sheep. Fined 5/-.

61.—The Overcharging of the Common by Wateridge and Millett of Hill.

They send three score sheep. Fined 2/6 each.

62.—The Overcharging of the Common by William Butcher.

He sends three score sheep. Fined 6/-.

63.—Thomas Edmunds

to show what claim he has to a certain building on the grounds of Hugh Darvall.

64.—Men of Jersey and Guernsey not to be allowed to buy and sell in the Linen Hall.

"Item we p^{re}sented that of Late the Inhabytants of the isles of guarney & Jerzey have hadd for dyv^{er}s consyderacons twoo dayes in the week to sell ther Lynen clothe in the Lynen hall as freely as any burges by reason wherof the forryners & the strangers that coms to by [buy] have appoyntid [agreed among themselves] to by only on the same dayes so that the Inhabytants of the towne cane not sell in man^{er} any thing at all to ther great hinderance & not only that but the said Inhabytants or some of them do vse to sell ther wares wthin y^e towne & sendythe the same out of y^e towne in their owne names, & so lyke wisse doo desseyve [deceive, i.e., defraud] the towne of there dewtyes, whearefore we dessier that in consideration (of the fact that) o^f charter is tha^t forren bought & forren sould is forfeyt, And comonlye all suche goods bought & sould at that daies in y^e hall, ben forren bought & forren sould, & soo forfeyte. The p^{re}misses consyderid we dessier that y^e said burgeses may be restorid to their former Lyberties [privileges, monopoly] accordinge to y^e said charter for other wysse yt is a none vser of¹ that Lybertyes."² (Cf. 1571, § 23).

65.—The Weights in the Tin-House to be adjusted.

"Item we p^{re}sented tha^t we fynd in y^e tynn house c^{er}taine weights to be amendyd, that ys to say four halffe hundred-weights, one q^{tr} [28 lb.] and a fouretyne pounds weight all to light & one halffe hundred-weight too heavye, wheareof we dessyer to have Redresse."

66.—False Weights of John Feverell, Butcher,

who is to be fined 2d.

¹ "Yt is a none vser of" = they lose the enjoyment by disuse of.

² The Guild Ordinances, confirmed by charter of Henry II. and later kings, lay down many rules for the exclusion of "foreigners," i.e., all not of the guild or the franchise, from buying and selling in Southampton. "Foreign bought and foreign sold," as it was called, was forfeited. Cf. Davies's History of Southampton, pp. 138-141.

67.—Holyrood Bell to be rung twice daily.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto the Clarcke of hollye Roods to ringe y^e bell at thoures of 4 in y^e mornynge & 8 at night vpon payne of 4d. for ev^{er}y tyme tha^t he missethe."

68.—Filing in the Streets.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto y^e Cryer to proclayme throughe y^e towne tha^t none doo fyle [void excrement] in y^e streats, Lanes or gutters by night or by day vpon payne tha^t ev^{er}y one so found offendinge, theare parents or masters to pay 8d. for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge."

69.—Mr. Wilmot for cutting down Trees and Bushes on the Common.

"Item we p^{re}sented tha^t mr. wylmot hathe Caussid s^{er}taine greate thornes & other div^{er}s bushes in the Comon o^f heathe w^{ch} was a greate suckour for o^f Cattell, & a shadoinge for them, whearefore we dessier yo^r worships to call hym before you, for yt is thought by those tha^t have vewed the same to be a damage to y^e vallewe of 40/-, for many of them weare greate homes [holly-bushes] & as bygge as a man's thighe."

70.—The Alderman of Portswode to restore a Sow which he had taken as a Stray.

"Item we p^{re}sented that a Sertaine Sowe taken for a straye by the alderman of portswode is yerid [?] marked in the ear] as yt apperithe in o^f Last Lawdey booke, whearefore be yt Comaunded vnto the said Alderman to bringe in y^e said sowe or els 6/8, as she was prayssyd [valued] at on this syde of mydsom^{er} next."

71.—Restrictions to be placed on strangers who make and sell things in Southampton.

"Item we p^{re}sented that y^e Straungers Inhabitting in this towne are more freer wthin this towne then any other englishemen, for they doo retayle all things in theare housses w^{ch} no other englishe men may doo onles they doo agree wth y^e towne & also wth them of y^e Corporation, also they have set vp in y^e towne a dyenge house, wevinge & fullinge w^{ch} is a discomodytye & hinderaunce to y^e welthe of y^e same towne whearefor we dessier yo^r worships to see yt redressid."

72.—Payment of Debts to the Town to be enforced by the Mayor.

"Item for as myche as yt hathe byn vsid in tyme past that if any man weare Indebtid to y^e towne or any man bound for another for any some of mony dwe to y^e towne & y^e day or daies of payment not kepte, that then y^e maior of y^e towne have vsid wthout any prosses [process] of Lawe to Compell the debtors by Imp^rsonement to paye yt or agree for yt. And for as myche as yt is said that theare (are) dyv^{er}s indebtid to the towne, & that the towne hathe neede to have theare debt, as well for makinge of y^e pypes of y^e conduicts as other wisse, whearefore we dessier tha^t all y^e said debtors may be Compellid to pay theare debts, by y^e meanes afforssaid tha^t y^e poore may be y^e better sparid of theare charges they may be at other wysse towards the Conduicts."

73.—Theft of Wood from the West Hall.

"Item we p^resent that a s^{er}taine purser namyd Clement smithe s^{er}vaunt vnto John bradshawe of brystowe [Bristol] in y^e tyme of mr. butlers maieraltye¹ did steale out of y^e west hall two baggs of greene wood & Caussid them to be caried awaye by a porter, w^{ch} wood m^r. butler afterward Received & had yt, & tooke of y^e said purser a recognissannce wthout suertyes & so lett hym goo & kept y^e wood & y^e p^{ar}tye did not appeere, w^{ch} wood if m^r. butler have answerid tha^t to y^e towne we knowe not."

74.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Salt Marsh.

"Be yt Comaundid to y^e porters tha^t they from hence forthe doo burye y^e slatts, Roobbishe & oyster shelles in y^e bottom of y^e pytts in salt marshe, & ley y^e soyle & donge vpon the same so tha^t y^e grace [grass] may growe vp ageyne. And also tha^t they take away all suche slatts, roubbishe & bury yt in suche holes on this syde y^e feast of st. mighels next vpon paynes of 20/-." (Cf. 1566, § 17, and 1571, § 48.)

75.—Encroachment by Matthew Mahalt and others towards the Ramparts.

"Item we p^resent tha^t mathewe mahault, one hearne, Robard Crosse & John norton doo encroche vpon y^e townes grownd vpon y^e Rampier ageinst theare gardyns, y^e redres whearof we Reffer to yo^r discessions."

¹ Richard Butler, Mayor 1551, 1563, 1564.

76.—The Bulwarks on the South-East need repairing.

"Item we p^rsent y^e bullwarke at gods house gate is all decayed & very needfull to be repayrid. And also between y^e greene bulwarck & ytchin ferry, w^{ch} we des^r to be amendid." (Cf. 1571, § 26.)

77.—The Warden of God's House to repair the Piles near his Closse.

"Item we p^rsent tha^t y^e wardens of gods house ought to Repayre the pyles ov^{er} ageynst the Closse toward the Sea syde, w^{ch} we also reffer to yo^r discessions."

NOTE.—On the back cover of this book the scribe seems to have made trial of a new quill. In addition to various elegant but meaningless flourishes, he wrote the curious little couplet :—

"He that intendithe heaven to winn
Muste vertew use and flee from synne."



A.D. 1571.

Title: Cotthorne: CURIA LEGALIS DOMINÆ REGINÆ tenta apud Cothorne prædictam pro villa et comitate Southamptonæ coram Reginaldo Howse majore dictæ villæ ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem, pro termino Hocketwednesdaye secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, ffranciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc decimo tercio.¹

Mayor (1570-71): Reginald Howse.

Jurors:

John Knight	William Singleton	Richard Etner
Thomas Turner	Richard Netley or	William Nutshaw
John Jackson	Nutley	Richard Goddard
Thomas Dingley	Thomas Moore	Thomas Wadlow
Hugh Darvall	John Bullicar	John Carew

Free Suitors:

The Prior of God's House	Heirs of Thomas Mylle
The Warden of Winchester College	(inf. aet.)
The Presentator of S. Mary's	Thomas Fashin
Heirs of Anthony Pound	Thomas Chaffin
(Edward White)	Heirs of Nicholas Coward
" Thomas Pace	(Gerard Maryn)
(George Powlett)	" Richard Hawkins
" Sir Francis Dawtrey	Richard White
(Richard Knight)	Henry White
" John Capelin	Heirs of Walter Baker
Nicholas Capelyn	" Henry Whittofte
William Staveley	" Banester
Heirs of Edward Wilmot	Richard Godard
(inf. aet.)	Reginald Howse
John Gregory	Heirs of Lawrence Sendye
Heirs of George Mille	" Thomas Fleming
(inf. aet.)	Edmund Darrell

¹ For Translation of. 1566. Hock Tuesday was May 1st, and the Court Day, May 8th, 1571.

Free Suitors—continued.

Heirs of John Anne
 Barnard Cortmill
 Heirs of Lawrence Groce
 Richard Daye
 James Webbe
 The Wardens of S. Lawrence's
 John Ayels
 Hugh Darvall
 Heirs of John Comerland
 „ Thomas Fuller

Heirs of Richard Marsh
 (Richard Estone)
 Richard Bayly
 Heirs of Thomas Casbard
 „ John Brigett alias
 Vovart
 „ Roger Dalacorte
 James Eling
 Thomas Weldon
 William Nutshawe¹
 John Bulicar

“STALL AND ART” LIST.

PARISH OR WARD.	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—“Sanctæ Crucis”	47	From 2d. to 20/-	£2 . 12 . 8
II.—“Saint Mychells and Saint Jones”	96	„ 2d. „ 6/8	£3 . 1 . 4
III.—“St. Laurens”	25	„ 2d. „ 10/-	£1 . 16 . 10
IV.—“All Saynts”	26	„ 2d. „ 2/6	£0 . 15 . 4
“Above Barre”	45	„ 2d. „ 5/-	£0 . 9 . 10
“Bagrew and Estreat”	21	„ 2d. „ 2/-	£0 . 7 . 6
	260		£9 . 3 . 6

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—The Bedells of Above Bar make two presentments.**

“John Gyfford and Willm. Bothe, Bidells above Barre, upon theyr othes presentith that Robt. Howchin who dwellithe in the magdalen kepith a yonge women in his house who is of ill name & hath byn in his house by the space of ii monethes [fine of 2/- imposed]. And now also we present that Thomas Driker is a nalle [an ale] brewer & sellith it in his house & also usith to make cake & bredd & sellith his bredd in loves of 3d. & 4d. apece wh. bredd is found faulte wthall, wherfor he is am^oced as appearith upon his hedd [personally] & also sellith white bredd, viz. ob [½d.] bredd & 1d. bredd, wh. ob & 1d. bredd was weyd & was to light, viz. the ob loff 2 oz. & the 1d. loffe 8 oz.”

¹ For lands formerly held by the Earl of Arundel.

2.—John Naylor for taking "Frithe."

"Phellip Petivin alias Cooke, one of the byddlls of bagrewe in east streate presentithe that John nayler hath taken certain frithe [copse-wood] in M^r. goddards grounds wthout the town walls and leyde it in other mens hedges."

3.—Michael Hucker keeps doubtful Company.

"John Elliot & Edward Durvall bydells wthin the barre dothe come & presente that Michael hucker usithe to kepe resorte soundry tymes of p^rsons not knowen & in unlawfull tyme in the night."

4.—Nicholas Riche lets lodgings and sells victuals without Licence.

"Richard Jackson & Raynold Browne, Bydells of the p^rache of S^t michelle & s^t Jones dothe p^rsent that Nicholas Riche dothe use to kepe lodginge & to sell victuall in his house wthought licens as is supposid, the reformes whearof we reffere to y^r discession, & his wiffe dothe misusse the m^rket of eggs [] (three words illegible) witho^t licens."

5.—The Forestalling of Victuals.

"Itm. they do p^rsent that John Cavell, Maglen stones, Thomas fryer, hamons widdowe, Rob^t hicks, nicholus Sendall, Thom^s baker & Thom^s gold are tipplers & hucsters, the number wherof ar so many ther & in other plac wthin the Towne that the victuells brout to be sold in the m^rkets is taken upp by them before the hore [hour] by m^r maurs p^rclamacoⁿ appoynted as by reason wherof the [] (two words illegible) & makes great dearthe, the reformatⁿ wherof we referr to y^r worships."

6.—Mr. Reniger's Road, Rail, etc.

"It. we p^rsent that M^r Rinng^r hathe not sett up his Payles nor mendid the highe waies ageinst his grounde w^{ch} he is bound to mayntain as he was comanndid to doo the last yeer upon the pain of 20/- ageinst the last of august last w^{ch} he hathe forfaightid. And be yt furdre comaunded unto the executors or administrators or to suche as have or shall have the ocupation of the said ground to make the said Payles & mend the said waies & sluses on this syde the feast of St. mighell next cominge upon payne of 26/8." (Cf. 1569, § 1).

7.—The Wall and Causeway between Chapel and Itchen Cross.

"It. we p^resent that the wall & Causey [causeway] between the Chappell & ytchin crosse is m^avelously decayed w^{ch} deffault we p^resentid the last yeer & is not yet amendid, whearefor we dessier yet once ageine yt may be consideird of and amendid for nowe one shillinge will doo mor thear then 10/- in short tyme." (Cf. 1576, § 11).

8.—Stocks for Above Barr.

"It. we p^resent that the stocks above the barr ar not made w^{ch} we requestid the last yeer to be made whearfor we dessier thear may be a peyr for the punisheme^t of vagabonds & lddel p^rsons." (Cf. 1569, § 9, and 1576, § 46).

9.—Wood brought improperly to Market.

"It. whearas we have oftentimes requestid that the syses [assizes] of tall woode and faget might be lookid unto, we doo see ev^{er}y day & yeer woode worsse markid then other, for redresse wheareof we thinke good that thear may be som apoin^d yeerly to be vewers and sysers of the said woode and fagetts when the same doothe come to the towne either by wat^r or by land." (Cf. 1569, § 14, and 1573, §§ 6 and 43).

10.—Sacks of Coal too Light.

"It. we p^resent that the colle sacks w^{ch} are dayly brought to the Towne are all to lyttell, whearfor we think yt very nessessary that ther might be a measur made for that purposse and the said measuer to be sealid y^e w^{ch} measur ought to be made of light wood or some light dryffatt¹ & nott a rodden [twig] Baskett." (Cf. 1569, § 27, and 1573, §§ 6 and 43).

11.—Clement Smith's Encroachment in Windmill Lane.

"It. we p^resent that clement Smithe hath not amendid and refformid the encroachment upon the queenes highe way in the wind myll lane neither pyllid the banckes w^{ch} is the cause and decay of the said dytche & foundeinge of the highe way, whearfor he hathe forfaightid 20/- for that yt was nott doone ageinst mighelmas last. Be yt funder comaundid unto the said clement or to edmond carpenter or to whom of them it shall ap^etain to reform the said encroachment & to pyle the banke on this syde midsum^{mer} next upon payne of 26/8^d."

¹ Dryfat—a large vessel, cask or tub, used to hold dry things as opposed to liquids.

12.—Pollution of Highway, Above Bar.

"It^m we p^resent that agenist the farme above bar nowe in the tenure of edmond Carpenter lyethe a greate heape of donnge w^{ch} founderithe the queenes highe way and annoyethe the queenes liege people rideing & goinge that way for the w^{ch} he is am^rsy^d as ap^rethe and be yt furder comaunded unto the said edmond to ryd & carye away the said donnge on this syde trynnty day next upon payne of 20/- & not to lay it ther any more."

13.—Highways to be Repaired.

"It we p^resent that the heighe waies may be rep^red accordinge to the statute that is to say from Thomas Courtnees house corner by S^t mary's lightten [churchyard] & so up to padwell crosse & so from thear to rogsdon lane and also the way goinge to the brick kyll and elswhear as neede requierythe." (Cf. 1569, § 16).

14.—The Wall near the Galley Quay still in Decay.

"It. we p^resent that althoughe we have dyv^{er}s tymes found fault wth the decay of the wall nighe the gally keye w^{ch} is very muche decayed & the stones daylye convayed awaye whearefor we shall dessier y^r worssipes that the rep^rations of the said keye may be lookid unto for that yt is very needefull." (Cf. 1569, § 35).

15.—The Porter's Stable and Kennel.

"Be yt commanded to the porters to carye awaye the donge by their stabell & to clense and ryd the Kenell [gutter] ageinst the stable weeckely as other inhabitants doothe upon payne to forfeyte for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge 12^d."

16.—Thomas Courtwell and Mrs. Reniger to scour their Ditches and Bounneys

upon pain of 5/-.

17.—Sanitary Matters at the West Quay and the Alum Cellar.

"Itm. we p^resent that the p^rivy at the west Keye is very muche decayed as yt oftentimes hathe byn p^rsentyd w^{ch} is as nessesary to be redressid and amendid as eny thinge aboute the towne for by the deffaulte thearof the towne is very fylthie bothe wthin the towne & also wth out the walles. Also the pryvie by the allome seller is in lyke decaye and very needefull to be amendid & mayntaynid for the nessessytie of the inhabitants of the toune & cleane kepinge of the same." (Cf. 1569, § 42, and 1573, § 10).

18.—The Weigh House still in Decay.

"It. we p^resent that weye house wth we p^resentid the last yeer to be in decay not wthstandinge the pointinge in the owt syde yet it remaynes so decayed that wthout spydie remedye it is lyke to fall downe." (Cf. 1569, § 47).

19.—The Fishmongers cause a Nuisance.

"Itm. we p^resent that the ffyshmongers by reason of wateringe & retaylinge of fyshe and castinge out of their fishie watter in to the highe streate procur and cause fowle and noysom savers to the grat anoyannce not onely of the inhabitantts of this towne but also of all other people comynge in to this same towne and yet not wth standinge o^r last p^resentment the same is not yet redressed, whearfor we dessier yo^r worships to consider of yt and appoynt them some other place meete and convenient for the same."

20.—The Fishmongers do not season their Fish.

"ffurder we p^resent that the fishmongers doo not season & water their fishe dyv^{rs} & sonderly tymes as it ought to be wherfor we dessier they may have warninge that the same may be amendid or els that they may forfeit for every tyme that they doo offend 3/4."

21.—Rules for Brewers.

"Itm. we p^resent that whearas we requestid the last laweday that the bruers should bringe fillinge beer [beer to fill up casks] to ev^{ry} of their costomers in considerations of the want & lacke of their barels, wth we thinke meete and nessessary to be accomplished, and also that they may not occupie [use] eny shodd [iron-bound] carte wth in this towne. Also we thinke yt necessere that ther be tasters appoynted to taste the alle & ber that shalbe brued & that ther may be no doble [double or extra-strong] bear." (Cf. 1574, § 17).

22.—The Road Above Bar to be kept clean.

"Be yt comaunded unto the inhabitaunts above the bar betweene brokers house and the george to ryd and escower their gutters ev^{ry} man befor his oune doore from tyme to tyme and also to suffer no donge nor dust or other soyle to be in the same streate upon paine that ev^{ry} one so offendinge shall pay 12d. ev^{ry} tyme so offendinge."

23.—Men of Jersey and Guernsey in the Linen Hall.

"Whearas we have div^{ers} tymes p^{re}sented that the inhabit^{ants} of the isles of Jersey and garneze and others hathe ii daies in the weeke to sell their wares in the lynnyn hall as freely as eny burges to the grat losse and hindrannce of the inhabitants of this towne whearfor we dessier that yt may be refformid." (Cf. 1569, § 64).

24.—Trading by Non-Burgesses.

"Itm. we p^{re}sented that dyv^{ers} of this towne not beeing burgesses of the same, have & doo vsse to buye all suche marchaundises as comithe from the sea as freely as eny burgeese w^{ch} we thinke not meete nor nessessary, the consideration and redresse whearof we doo reffer yt unto yo^r for that yt hathe not benn usyd but of late daies by sufferaunce."

25.—Mr. Jeffreys to fence his Ditches

under penalty of 20/-. (Cf. 1573, § 14).

26.—Bulwarks near Salt Marsh and God's House decayed.

"Itm. we p^{re}sented that the grate bulwarcke by salt m^{rs}he and the lyttell bulwarcke by gods house tower are sor decayed and very needeful to be rep^{aired} and amendid." (Cf. 1569, § 76, and 1573, § 15).

27.—Encroachments by William Nutshaw.

"It^m we p^{re}sented that Will^m Nutshawe hathe not taken up his hedge nor fillid his dytche w^{ch} he encroched upoⁿ the queenes hye weye as yt was p^{re}sented the last lawe day & as he had then in comaundemet to doo upon paine of 26/8d. whiche he hathe forfeightid."

28.—William Feverell's Ditch to be Scoured.

"Itm. we p^{re}sented that Will^m feverell hathe not escowrd his dytche by gyddys bridge¹ as he was comaunded the last yeer to be doone befor midsom^{er} last past, upon payne of 3/4d. w^{ch} he hathe forfeightid. And be yt furder comaunded unto him or to home it dothe appertayne to escower the said dytche on this syde of midsom^{er} next upon paine of 5/-."

¹ Apparently near the present Brunswick Place. See Davies's Southampton, p. 266.

29.—Pollution of Bugle Street.

"Itm. we p^resent that Syr hary Wallope knygt, Jaymes maigor & James Damarin hathe Layd donge at ther back dors In bolle haulle strete, wherfor they ar to be amm^essed as aperithe uppon ther heads for that hit is agreate annyance to the town. And be yt Comaunded to them to ryd the same on this syde whytsontide next upon payne of 2/6 a pece."

30.—Bakers to make Halfpenny and Farthing Bread.

"Itm. we p^resente that Richard Cowde, John Mon^r, Mary Turner widdowe, John Cowton are comon Bakers but dothe nott use orderly to make halpenye & farthinge bredd butt for the moste p^ate peny bredd or twopeny bredd contrary to the statute wherfor they ar a^mended as may appear, wherfor we request that they may make ob ($\frac{1}{4}$ d.) & qr ($\frac{1}{4}$ d.) bredd." (Cf. 1573, § 22).

31.—Taverners to supply lawful Bread and not unlawful Cake.

"Itm. wee p^resente that the Taverners & tiplers usith of late to have bowlle cake and biskett cake and other cake of halpens & pens wher the people repayeringe to theyr houses to drⁱnk are desirus to have a farthinge lofe or a halpeny lof wherin is mor bredde then in a penyworthe of cake, wherfor wee desyer that the use of the sayde cake maye be forbidden for that ther is no lawe n^or statute to mayntayen yt & the bakers bredd usid uppon payne to ev^erye taverner & typler that usith other bredd then loffe brade to lose 4d. for ev^ery tyme they shall sell other bredd for that as it is Sayde they hathe thre & 4 caks for a peny & 14 to the dozen & sellith every cake for a halpeny or a penye."

32.—William Barwyke to mend his Gutter

upon pain of 10/-.

33.—Excessive Fees of the Court.

"It. we her great complaynt as well by fforyn^es as by thinhabitauns of this toune of the grat & oppresyve charge of the fees of the cowrte and that ther may be a myttygacon & reduced (*sic*) according to the aunceant custome as well for the councillors as other offycers fees."

34.—Timber in High Street.

"It^m we p^resent that Thomas Broker dothe lay his tymber in

the high streate above barre to the great annoyannce of the people wherfor he is am^osed 12d. and order is farther given that he amend it on thissyde the feast of St. John Baptist nexte upon payne of 5/-."

35.—John Mylles to make a Fence
upon pain of 6/8.

36.—The Ditch near Houndwell to be cleared by Thomas Broker
upon pain of 2/6.

37.—William Fay and Thomas Hoskins to scour their Gutters
upon pain of 2/6.

38.—The Inhabitants Above Bar not to fill up the Town Ditches.

"Be it comaundid to the Inhabitants above barr that they ne any of them doo not hereafter laye any soylle in the diches in bothe sids of the Bargate vppon payen of 12d. for ev^{er}y tyme any of them shall offend, the one halfe wherof shallbe to the byddells or suche as shall fynde the offender and the other moytie to the toun." (Cf. 1571, § 76, and 1577, § 38).

39.—The Bridge under East Gate not to be choked with Rubbish.

"Be itt comaundid to the Inhabitants ner [near] the estegate that they ne any other to ther knoledge carry and laye anye duste or donge vnder the briddge ther vppon payne of 12d. to ev^{er}y p^{er}son for every tyme they shall offende, and be it funder comaundid to the Inhabitants dwellinge ner therabouts emongeste them to escouer & ridde the sayd duste or durte onthissid trenytide next vppon payen of 5/- to be levyed emongest them."

40.—Rubbish to be removed from Polymond Tower.

"Itm. wee do p^{re}sente that vnder the Tower ner the same gate lyeth myche durte w^h is noysome by reason of the stinkinge saver wherfor we thinke it good that the Inhabitants dwelling ther amongst do every one for his p^{ar}te helpe ridde the same & tha^t yt be closed vpp wth a palle on this syd trynityde next."

41.—The Brewers not to dig clay in the Salt Marsh.

"Itm. we p^{re}sente that the brewers dothe nott wthstandinge a payen geven vnto them the laste yer digge cleye in the Salte m^{ar}she to the destrucion of the same m^{ar}she & dothe nott fill vppe the placis diggid, as the order is, the names of the brwrs

that hath cley ther ar Mr. Russell (6/8), barnard Cortemell (6/8), John le Faver (6/8), Thom^s Cortemell (6/8), clement smith, wherfor they ar am^oced ev^{er}y of them 6/8. And be it Comaundid that the^r do not herafte^r digge any mor claye ther butt that they fill the place agayen vpp^m the like payen of 10/- a pece." (Cf. 1569, § 6, and 1574 § 20).

42.—Aulnagers to be appointed.

"Itm. we do p^resent that ther ought to be awnegers¹ appoyntid wthin the Towne for avoydinge of the dannger of the statute tha^t maye be taken agaynst the Towne for the wante therof we thinke it mete that two may be appyntid for that purpose."

43.—Bernard Courtmell to make a wall in his Mill-house

before Michaelmas on pain of 10/-.

44.—Unlicensed Tipplers.

"Itm. wee do p^resente tha^t Edward deboke, clerks widdowe, John Cavell, Ester hamon widdow, nichu^s Sendall, James permitte, dothe tipple and ar nott bounde in recognizans wherfor ev^{er}y of them ar to losse 20/- as apperith by the statute also Thom^s Frier sellith wtho^t licens, also Gillam Soner sellith the lek [like]."

45.—Hugh Emery and John Manfield not to be licensed.

"Itm. wee do p^resente that Hewghe Emery dothe also sell bere contrary to the sayde statute, not lycensid, and it is thowt that he beinge a p^resonable yonge man sholde not be lycensid for tha^t wilbe a hinderance to his lyvinge & mak him growe to lyve Iddlly, w^{ch} were pety [a pity], and lykewisse John Manfylde."

46.—The Lead on the Town Hall to be renewed.

"Itm. we p^resente that the ledd on the Towne hawlle is so full of ffaultes as except yt be taken upp and newe caste yt will rotte in very shorte tyme the tymberwork w^{ch} is very good & newe."

47.—John Elliott fined for engrossing Butter.

"Itm. wee p^resent that John Elliott of the Antelope hathe byn in the m^arket & ther willid that yf the m^arket folke colde nott sell ther butter at 3d. that then they sholde come to hem

¹ Aulnagers see 1569, § 15 and note.

& he wolde geve iid. ob. [2½d.] for as muche as they wolde bringe & the(y) sholde have ther mony strait [immediately] wherfore he is am^{er}ced 6/-." (Cf. 1569, § 58, 1571, § 69, and 1573, § 30).

48.—The Porters fined for wrong disposal of Refuse.

"Itm. wee p^{re}sente that the porters who hathe ther wagis for carring of the donge of the towne dothe very negligently vse ther offices [carry out their duties] in layinge of ther donge in placis not mete for that purpose as att houndwell crosse, the weste key, goddeshouse gat & in the Salt mearshe where no nede is & in the highe waye agaynst mr. Renigers, so that the holles of the comon wher the(y) ought to laye it is lefte vnfillid, wherfor we have am^{er}cyd the^m as apperth, we also think it mete tha^t ther may be order taken tha^t the donge brought into the salmershe may be cast abroad by some tha^t may be appoyntid for that purpose." (Cf. 1569, § 74, and 1573, § 20).

49.—The Wells and Pumps to be put into repair.

"Itm. wee think it met that the wells & pompes be mayntayned & amendyd for fear of inconvenience that may come or chance, that is to saye the wells in every warde and cheefely the well by bull hall w^{ch} is stopped and filled vp wth Roobidge & the well by James mogs w^{ch} is in danng^{er} of founderinge [being submerged] whearof we dess^{ire} refformation." (Cf. 1566, § 2, and 1573, § 24).

50.—Mrs. Gross to make her Hedge

by Midsummer on pain of 3/4.

51.—The Street in front of St. Laurence's Church to be paved.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto The Churche Wardens of St. lawrence or to whome yt may app^{er}tayne to pave the streate befor the said churche on this syde the feast of St. James next comynge vpon payne 6/8d."

52.—Paving in St. Michael's Parish.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto the Inhabitaunts of St. mighels p^{ar}ishe to pave their doores on this syde the feast of St. James next comynge vpon payne of ev^{er}y one that offendithe shall forfeight and pay 3/4. And be yt comaundid vnto Mr. Dervall to pave befor his teneme^{nte} theare by the said day vpon payne of 5/-."

53.—The Gutter over St. Michael's Prison.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto Lewes englishe or to whome yt shall ap^rtayne to mak and repayre the gutter over St. Mighels prison so that yt be not noyons to the queenes subiects thys syde the feaste of St. James next vpon paine of 6/8d." (Cf. 1569, § 10).

54.—The Tower near Bugle Hall in decay.

"Itm we p^rsent that the tower benethe bull hall gardens is decayed & needefull to be amendid & plancked ove^r."

55.—The Wall near the West Quay in decay.

"Itm we p^rsent that the wall from the Coop^rs tower by the lyme kyll ner the west key agenist the house of office [closet] is unplanked so that many things may be convaed down throughe the same 'for want of rep^raca' and also men may come in and out by night at their pleasuer, w^{ch} we dessier may be amendid."

56.—Mrs. Aund to attend to Sanitary matters and to repair her Hedge

before All Saints' Day on pain of 6/8.

57.—The Ramparts from Bargate to East Gate to be maintained.

"It. we p^rsent that the Rampiers wthin the walls from the barre gate to the east gate fallithe doune by reason of the digging & so will not be s^rviceable when neede shall requier, be yt thearfor comaunded vnto Rich^r netley tha^t he doo not heerafter digge the said ramp^rs but to suffer yt to lye to firme ground that yt may s^rve for that purposse that yt was made for vpon paine of 10/-."

58.—The Bank outside the Wall from East Gate to Polymond Tower to be maintained.

"ffurder we p^rsent that the bancke by the wall wthout syde of the same rampie's from east gat to the tower at the corn^r towards houndwell is also diggid to the great decaye of the wall yf yt be not forseene & amendid in tyme whearfor & wthin short tyme will fall in the water, whearfor be yt comaunded to the said netley not to dig yt eny mor vpon paine of 10/-."

59.—The Banks near God's House to be maintained.

"Itm we p^rsent that the bancke by the wall by gods housse tower is also digged and sett wth teasels w^{ch} wilbe a decaye to

the walle in short tyme if yt be not seene vnto and be yt comaundid vnto Joan lombard who hathe the occupacon of the towne ditches theare tha^t she suffer not the bancke of the walles eny more to be digd hereafter vpon paine of 6/8d." (Cf. 1573, § 31).

60.—Water to be kept in the Town Ditches.

"Itm we p^resent that yt wear very needefull that the sluse at gods house wear opened whearby the wat^{er} might have his course and recoursse in to the towne dyches from the sea and out of the said dyches in to the sea ageine for by the meanes of the stoppage thearof the towne dyches arre drye and growen almost to pastur grownd." (Cf. 1573, § 29).

61.—Useless Horses not to be pastured on Common.

"Itm wee doo p^resente that the comons of this Towne is very muche abvsid & chargid wth horsebeasts beinge very adged & not able to doo any s^rvice, wherfore wee think it good that the dryvers or some other w^{ch} is disposid to tak it vppoⁿ hem or shalbe appointede for tha^t purpos to ov^rse the comon that they suffer no suche horsebeaste being not thought able to doo s^rvice to pastur in the sayde Comon but tha^t if they be thought not met [meet or fit] to goo & fede ther then that they be brout to the pound & the owner of the sayde horse not to suffer hem to pasture any mor in the sayd comons vppon payen of 3/4 ev^{er}y tyme offendinge." (Cf. 1573, § 25).

62.—Hogs in the Streets.

A fine of 4d. for each offence. (Cf. 1566, § 30).

63.—The Wall near West Hall decayed.

"Itm we p^resent that the wall betwext the west hall & James magers ys decayed and broken downe w^{ch} we supposse to be at the townes rep^rations." (Cf. 1573, § 26).

64.—John Mayor to Remove Soil from Bugle Street.

"Be yt Comaunded to John mayers Carpenter to ryd the soyle of his gardin out of bull strat w^{ch} nowe lythe in the sayde strate on this syde whytsontyde next vpon paine of 3/4^d."

65.—Sanitary Matters to be attended to by Robert Cross

before Michaelmas on pain of 20/-.

66.—Sanitary Matters to be attended to by John Harrison

before St. John Baptist's day on pain of 13/4. (Cf. 1577, § 78).

67.—The Town Butts still in Decay.

"It^m we p^resent tha^t the butts be not rep^red as they ought to be by the statute." (Cf. 1569, § 3, and 1573, § 2).

68.—Richard Brigender to make a Bounney

before Whitsuntide on pain of 2/-.

69.—The Buying of Butter.

"Be yt comaunded vnto all the Inhabitaunts of this toune tha^t none of them wth have vssed to powder [salt] butter or shall heerafter vse to powther eny butt^r to sell ageyne shall not buye eny butter of eny p^rson or p^rsons that have vssid to come and s^rve this m^rket or that heerafter shall vse to s^rve this m^rket but shall make their p^rovision out of suche places as doo not usse to come to this m^rket with butt^r, vpon payne of forfeightur of the said butt^r so bought and sould and 2^d. for ev^ry pound beesydes for that we ssee yt is a grate hinderance to all the comon wealthe of thys towne." (Cf. 1571, § 47, and 1574, § 61).

70.—Rules for the Chandlers.

"Itm we p^resent that the Chann^del^r of this towne doo mak their candels wth grat torche weack [wick] and yll tallowe to the grate disseayte [deceit] of the queenes people whearfor we dessier that they may put whyt weack in their candels and no mor suche torche weack vpon payne of forfeightur of all those candels so made. And also that they may enter in bond to the towne that from hence foorth the none of them doo convay transport or sell eny tallowe to eny man, m^rchaunt or other for by that meanes of selling they sell away the best tallowe & doo serve the Towne wth the worst and by reason whearof the towne is a grat deale the worsse s^rvid alwaies consideringe the nessesitie of the dressinge of shippes."

71.—Rules for the Hucksters.

"Itm we p^resent that th^e nomb^r of hoockesters of this towne are so many tha^t the butt^r eggs and other victualls wth is brought to the m^rket to be sould is sca^sse able to s^rve their tornes wth is the cause of the scarsetye & dearthe theareof whearfor we think yt meete tha^t none be sufferid to be hucksters but suche as

shalbe allowed (and that they) may be bound to mak their provizion abroad & not to bye of suche as rep^{re}ethe to this m^{ar}ket, except yt be aft^{er} the ower of 11 of the clock wheⁿ other housholders shall be s^{er}vid accordinge to Mr. May^{or}s proclamac^{ion} & that they doo not come nor eny of them into the m^{ar}ket befor the said ower of 11 of the clock, althoughe they buye nothings, vpon payne of forfeightur of all suche eggs, butt^{er} and other victualls by them so bought, & 4^d for ev^{er}y one of them to forfeight yf they be seene in the m^{ar}ket befor the said ower of 11 of the clocke & also that no man bye eny butt^{er} beefor yt have byn fyrst in the m^{ar}ket vpon payne of loosinge of the said butter." (Cf. 1574, § 60).

72.—Export of Wood to be stopped.

"Itm we p^{re}sent that thear is suche number of woode caried out of this haven & ryv^{er} w^{ith}in cawlsherd [Calshot] by barcks & shippes, that yf yt be not shortly forseene [attended to] yt will mak bothe grat dearthe and also a grat scarsetye and morov^{er} we vnderstand that all the bote men w^{ch} doo vsse to s^{er}ve this towne w^{ith} woode as Goobbin suckerman, Pinock, Hills, Holford and others of heethe [Hythe] as also owen hylls, webbe and northe etc of this towne doo vsse to s^{er}ve and sell to the shipes contrary to the comon wealthe of this towne, whearfor we request yo^r worships to consider of the p^{re}misses [facts laid before you] and that they may enter in bond not to cary nor sell none to shippes w^{ith}out the leave of Mr. mayo^r and that all those that be bounde by recognissance may be called for, for tha^t we suppose some of them have forfeitid their bonds."

73.—False Weights and Measures.

Thirty-two persons fined sums ranging from twopence to six shillings and sixpence.

74.—Selling Liquors by Stone Pots.

Thirty-one innholders and others warned against selling by stone pots or fined for doing so. (Cf. 1574, § 57).

75.—The Watch.

"Item we present that the byddels hathe made great complaint unto us of the disorder of the watche for that as they saye most nights they are to seeke of their watchmen and whenas the watchmen dothe come together they are such as arre for the most p^{ar}t unlyklye and unmeete men to serve for that pourpose,

wherefore we dessier that yt may be throughlye considerid of for that yt stondithe the whole towne upon [concerns the whole town] to have the wathe throughlye kept that they may be theare in dwe tyme and also remayne and contynewe in the said wathe accordinge to tholde custome."

76.—Casting of Rubbish into the Town Ditches.

"Itm wee p^rsente that Thoma^s Ansell hathe made co^mplaynte vnto vs of the Annice [annoyance] w^{ch} he sustayneth by reason of the evell savers of dunge & other filthe w^{ch} is caste & layde uppoⁿ the towne diches in the weste side of the bargate. And for that we p^rceve tha^t the anoyaⁿce is so muche as well to the sayd Thomas as to others who hathe made co^mplaynte by reason of the same, be it co^maundid that no p^rson ne p^rsons do hereafter caste and laye his soylle or donge there uppoⁿ payen of 12d. for ev^{er}y tyme any shalbe taken castinge or layinge of Soylle there, yt were very good ther were a turne pike made there w^{ch} wolde p^rtely helpe the matter." (Cf. 1571, § 38, and 1573, § 23).

77.—The Conduit Heads in Houndwell to be Repaired.

"Itm. we p^rsent that the Conduite hedds in houndwell ar in somewhat faulty by reason that [whereof] the water comithe nott into the tros (? troughs) wherfor yt is requisit the pips were loked vnto."

78.—Archery on the Salt Marsh.

"Wheras ev^{er}y p^rson above the age of 7 yers is bound by the Lawe to vse shotinge, ther hathe byn complaynt to suche as hathe vsid or wolde vse ther bowes that by reason of their cattall that goith ev^{er}y hollydaye in the Salt mearshe they have nott shott wherefore wee thinke it necessary that the Coward doo ev^{er}y Sunday & hullydaye kepe his beasts out of the shotting placis."

79.—Thomas Hoskins to scour his Watercourse between Houndwell house and Hogland's style.

80.—Testing of Weights and Measures.

"As for the wayts & measuers w^{ch} hathe byn longe in question wee desyer that yt maye be reformyd accordinge to the statuts, so that hereafter ther may no more question aryse for wante of

reformacon, ffurther we thinke it good that the busshells & weyts may be sent for before mr. mayor or soche as he shall appoint vnder the Audit house & ther refformyd accordinge to equitie."

81.—Size of Herring Barrells.

"More wee do p^resente the herring Barrells ought as by the statute made in the tyme of Kinge Edwarde the 4th, in Capitulo s^cdo [secundo] to contayne 32 gallons, & now he co^tayneth but 27 gallons, wherfor we pray tha^t yt may be reformed."

82.—Standard Weights of Brass to be provided
for the weighing of bread.

83.—The Wall near East Gate decayed.

"Itm. wee p^resent that in the northe side of the eastegate wthin the wawlls between ther Tenements & the rampier is in greate decaye in the foundacon of the wawlle wherfor we request it may spedely be reformed."

**84.—Thomas Vaughan to cease to encroach upon the Town Ground
and to fasten his Pale**

before Michaelmas on pain of 20/-.



A.D. 1573.

Title: Cotthorne: Curia legalis dominæ reginæ tenta apud Cotthorne prædictam pro villa et comitate Southamptonæ coram Wilhelmo Capelin majore dictæ villæ ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem, pro termino Hocketwednesdaye, secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, frauncizæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc XVto.¹

Mayor (1572-73): William Capelin.

Jurors:

Thomas Dingley	John Mylles	Richard Waterton
John Ayles	Richard Daye	Philip Martin
Hugh Darvall	William Nutshawe	Stephen Marshe
James Webbe	Richard Netley	Laurence Gyllyam
William Singleton	Matthew Manhat	John Wilmot

Free Suitors :

The Prior of God's House	Thomas Fashin
The Warden of Winchester College	Thomas Chaffin
The Presentator of St. Mary's	Gerard Marryn
Edward White	Heirs of Richard Hawkins
George Pawlet	William Capelin ²
Richard Knight	Heirs of Walter Baker
John Capelin	„ Henry Whittoft
John Crooke	„ ... Banester
Nicholas Capelin	Richard Goddard
William Staveley	Reginald Howse
Heirs of Edward Wilmot	Heirs of Lawrence Sendie
(inf. aet.)	(inf. aet.)
John Gregory	„ Thomas Fleming
Heirs of George Mille	Barnard Courtmill
(inf. aet.)	Heirs of Lawrence Groce
„ Thomas Mylle	Richard Daye
(inf. aet.)	James Webbe
	Wardens of St. Lawrence's

¹ For Translation of 1566. Hock Tuesday was April 7th, and the Court Day, April 14th, the earliest possible date.

² For lands formerly held by Henry White.

Free Suitors—continued.

John Ayles	John Bulicar
Hewghe Darvall	William Nutshawe
Heirs of John Comerland	Thomas Weldon
„ Thomas Fuller	James Eling
Richard Estone	Robert Beddam
Richard Bayly	Peter Janverin
Heirs of Thomas Casbarde	Lawrence Williams
„ John Briget alias	John Favor
Vovart	Mathew Manhat
„ Roger Delacourt	Henry Massie

“STALL AND ART” LISTS.

PARISH OR WARD.	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—“Holly Roodes” ...	46 ...	From 2d. to 6/8 ...	£2 . 1 . 2
II.—“St Mich ^s and St Johans”	95 ...	„ 2d. „ 10/- ...	£4 . 9 . 4
III.—“St Laurance” ...	17 ...	„ 2d. „ 6/8 ...	£1 . 4 . 0
IV.—“All Saynts infra barram”	27 ...	„ 2d. „ 3/- ...	£0 . 17 . 2
“All Saynts without the Barre” ...	28 ...	„ 2d. „ 3/4 ...	£0 . 15 . 2
“Baggrewe and Easte Street” ...	18 ...	„ 2d. „ 2/- ...	£0 . 6 . 8
	231		£9 . 13 . 6

Following the Stall and Art Lists in this book are :—

- (1)—Lists of undertenants and “tiplers not allowed” sent in by the Bedels of the various wards.
- (2)—“The names of the fresuitors and freeholders that made default at the Lawdaye.” Each defaulter is fined 3d. There are forty-eight names in all, only thirteen of which appear in the list of Free Suitors given above.

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—The Salt House at the West Quay.**

“Item we p^rsent that wheras ther is a salt howsse Kepte at the west Keye w^{ch} is a great annoyans to the comonwelth of this country for that yt is a great devower of wood, & hathe byne

p^{ar}tly occason of the great derth therof, w^{ch} salt ther made is allso transportid beyond the seas as we arr informyd wherof we praye redresse."¹ (Cf. 1574, § 1).

2.—The Butts to be Repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sented the butts in the Castell & vpon the towne dyche arre vnrepayryd w^{ch} we desire maye be repayryd out of hande for that the sumer is come on & (they) by the statute ought to be repayryd." (Cf. 1571, § 67, and 1574, § 2).

3.—Mr. Lambert's Balls, Road and Ditches.

"Item we p^{re}sented that Mr. Lambert hath not set vppe his raylls nether amendid the heyghe waye by his dyche next salt marche nether escowrid his dytche as he was comaundid & bound to amend the Laste yeare nether hath he amendid his dytche betwyxt his grounde & the docke for that his said dytche fyllyth the marshe wth water, for lacke of the Lacke of rep^{ar}ing & amending therof, wherfor he hath forfeitid his payne of 33/4—in Leek sorte be yt comanndit vnto the said Mr. Lambert to sett vppe the said raylls, amend the sayd waye & dytche on thisside the feast of St. James next vppon the Leeke payne." (Cf. 1574, § 3).

4.—Butchers and the Killing of Calves.

"Item we p^{re}sented that all the butchers w^{hin} this towne hath kyllid calves contrary to the statut² wherfor ev^{er}y of them hathe forfeitid the paynes contaynid in the statut the consideracon wherof we refer to yo^r wo^rshipps." (Cf. 1574, § 4).

5.—The Lane from East Gate to God's House to be repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sented that the Lane & especially about the gate of the lane Leading from east streat to the Quenes orchard & to godes howse ys very yll & depe in the winter tyme & wher yt was geven in comaund^{mt} the laste yeare to repayer the same vppon payne of 3/4 a pece to ev^{er}y one w^{ch} did not repayer the same they have forfeitid ther payne, wherfore be yt now comaundid that the same be repayryd one thissid mydsomer next vppon payne of forth of 6/8 to ev^{er}y of them that ought to repayer the same." (Cf. 1574, § 12).

¹ It is evident that the salt was manufactured by distillation of sea water and that much wood was consumed in keeping up the necessary fires.

² I.e. under five weeks old.

6.—Wood and Coal to be officially measured.

“Item we p^resent that wheras we have often tymes Requestid that the size of talle wood faggetts & byllats¹ wth the mesure of the sacks of colles might be lookid vnto we do se & here ev^{er}y daye & yeare the wood worsse markid then other, and the colle sacks of Lesse mesure, for redresse wherof (we) thinke good that ther maye be yerely chossen vewers & sizers of wood & meserers of colle sacks, when yt comethe to the towne eyther by water or Lande, therfor by yo^r discreson.” (Cf. 1571, § § 9 and 10; 1573, § 43; and 1574, § 5).

7.—The late Mr. Wilmot's Ditch in Windmill Lane.

“Item we p^resent that those that dwellethe in the farme Late Mr. willmots viz. Edmond carpenter or others ther inhabiting have not as yet clensid nor pyllid the dytche at caneshute in wyndmill Lane according as they were comandid the Last yeare, wherfore they have forfeitid ther payne w^{ch} is 26/8. And be yt allso comaundid to thosse that have the howsse or grounde ther to repayere the same dytche & to throwe downe the bancke into the middell of the heyghe waye & gravell the same in suche sorte that the wat^{er} maye have the corse into the said dytche out of the sayd waye one thissid mydsomer next vpon payne of 30/-.” (Cf. 1569, § 22, and 1574, § 31).

8.—The Bouney near the same also to be repaired.

“Item we farther pressent that wher the bouney [gutter] beinge in the highe waye beyond caneshute w^{ch} ought to be mayntaynd & repayrd by them that holdeth the same farme & ground ys broken & in much decaye by reason wherof the waye ther is very foule & much decayed, be yt comanndid to them sufficiently to repayer & amend the same betwen this & mydsomer next vpon payne of 10/- & to make a dytch in his ground to bringe the watter ought of the said ground to the said bony.” (Cf. 1574, § 27).

9.—The Ditches near Padwell and Rockstone Lane.

“Item we p^resent that wher [whereas] the diches aboute padwell & rogeden Lane arre not escourid w^{ch} is anoyans to the highwaye, be yt comanndid to those that ought to repayer & escour the same sufficiently to escouer & repayer the same one thissid

¹ Byllate or billets were sticks of wood for fuel, which by a statute of Elizabeth were ordered to measure at least 3-ft. 4-in. in length.

mydsomer next & that the bony ther being in decaye maye be amendid ther by that tyme, vppon payne of $\frac{6}{8}$ a pece." (Cf. 1574, § 30).

10.—Sanitary Matters at West Quay.

Complaint similar to that of 1571, § 17, "which," the Jurors say, "we have dyvers tymes p^rsented," but which is "as yet not amendid, wherefore yet once agayne we desire y^r worships that the same maye be looked unto and repayed out of hande."

11.—Heap of Refuse on West Quay

to be removed. (Cf. 1574, § 6).

12.—Town Walls and Ways round the Walls in decay.

The way towards "a tower called Corner Tower" is "eaten awaye wth the seae and ys leeke to founder for want of pylls and defence of the water." Moreover "where the gutter issuethe out by the allome seller the walle is very much founderid, and in leek sort in dyvers places ells about the said walls as the butteris by catchecoll,"¹ also "the stones that is there abouts is scattered abrode wth shuld be defence to the said walls " and "there wanteth pylls in dyvers places ells about the sayd walls whereof we praye a redresse." (Cf. 1574, § 7.)

13.—Pollution of the Roads within the Walls.

"Item we present that the wayes leadinge alonge by the walls in the insyd frome the Easte gate rounde about to Godes howse gate and so to the allome seller—where there is a very great donnge myxsen very fylthye and annoyance to the queenes lege peple—is very fowle and noysome." Also "in leeke sorte at gally kaye a very great donge myxen and so from bydells gate the waye leading from the bydells gate to the castel and so throughe the castell very mayny dongehills and very noysome and fylthye tylle ye come into the streat at Thomas Lever's shoppe, whereof we praye redresse, and be it commanded to all those that ought to carry away the said fylthye dongehills and other annoyances to carry away the same wth all convenyant spede uppon payne of $\frac{3}{4}$ a pece and at the least wthin six dayes after proclamation thereof made." (Cf. 1574, § 8).

14.—Mr. Jeffrey's Ditches still not fenced.

Hence fine of 26/8. (Cf. 1571, § 25, and 1574, § 10).

¹ Catchcold Tower, next on the west to the Arundel Tower.

15.—Bulwarks near Salt Marsh decayed.

"Item we present that bothe the bolwarks & the rampyer from godeshowsse gate to Itchin ferry is greatly in decay wherof we praye redresse & that yt maye be repayrd." (Cf. 1571, § 26, and 1574, § 11).

16.—Conduit Heads decayed.

"Item we present that the three cundict heddes viz. in Lubery meade & barnardes fylde, ys greatly in decaye & Leek to founder, the greatest occason wherof is for ther Lacke of Raylles about them to Keppe the cattall from rubbing agaynst them wherof we pray redresse." (Cf. 1574, § 29).

17.—Highway between Houndwell Cross and the Brick House in decay.

"Item we present that the waye between houndwell crosse & the brick housse is greatly in decaye wherof we praye amendment."

18.—The Glovers and their Skins.

"Item we present that Richard hoskins John hocket & other the glovers above the barr do still vse to Lye [place] ther skyns between ther gardens & houndwell In the dytche ther wherfore theye & ev^{ry} of them have forfeitid ther paynes of 5/- a pece. And be yt farther comandid vnto the said glovers not to Ley eny more ther vppon payne of 5/- a pece." (Cf. 1574, § 18).

19.—Bridges across the Ditches into Houndwell.

"Be yt Comandid to all those that hath any brydgs out of ther gardens above the barre into houndwell fyld to take them awaye & not to Leye any ther during the sumer tyme whills the grasse is ther vnmowen & the hey not caryed awaye after yt is yerly Inclosid vppon payne of 2/- a pece."

20.—The Porters and the Salt Marsh.

"Item we present that the porters hath not filled uppe the holls and pyts in salt marshe wth such donge and other soyle as they do carry out of the towne into the said m^{rs}he but leye the same uppon the grounde to the great spoyle of the grasse ther growing, wherfore they have suffered the payne uppon them set the last yere being 6/8. And be yt comaunded unto the said porters from hence forth to fylle uppe the said holls wth the said

donge frome tyme to tyme as they do cary the same thether and not to leye yt uppon the sayd grasse uppon payne of 10/-." (Cf. 1571, § 48, and 1574, § 19).

21.—Mr. John Capelin's House.

"Item we p^resent that Mr. John Capelin hath a compane [company or collection] of old bordes sett vppe in the face of the wholle streat w^{ch} is a great defassing of the said streat being the heyghe streat wherof we praye redresse to be & that he maye be constraynid according to the order of the towne to byld there." (Cf. 1574, § 21).

22.—Bakers to make Half-penny and Farthing Bread.

"Item we present that John moor, Ric. conder's wedowe & others the bakers of the towne do not bake orderly & comonly farthing & halpeny brede as they ought to doo & as they wer comanndid the Last Lawedaye w^{ch} is a great discomoditie to the poore, wherof we praye redresse." (Cf. 1571, § 30).

23.—Rubbish in Town Ditches near Bargate.

"Be yt comaundid vnto thenhabitants above the barre that from hence forthe they nor eny of them do caste eny soyle in the towne dyches on eyther syde of the barre gate vppon payne of 12d. for ev^{ry} one that shall so offende." (Cf. 1571, § 76).

24.—Wells and Pumps to be put into Repair.

"Item we p^resent that all the comon wells & plomps w^{hin} this towne be out of rep^racons some all together damnid & fillid vppe some Lacking Roopes & buckets except St. Lawrans & St. Michis, wherfore we desire that speady Remedy maye be hadd for the same for that yt is a thing most nescessarye & nedfull for the savegard & p^res^evacon of this towne for fyre & such Leek dayngers. And for the spedy redres thereof we desire & thinck yt good that thenhabitants of ev^{ry} warde maye be comanndid to see the same done rep^red & amendid on this syde St. James tyd next vppon payne of 20/- for ev^{ry} one that shall offend." (Cf. 1571, § 49, and 1574, § 23).

25.—Useless and Diseased Horses on Common.

"Be yt comaundid vnto all those that have horsse beasts going in the comon & arre not hable to serve a man in his jorny as they ought to doo that theye take them out of the

comon so that they may be no more found ther vppon payne of Lossing the said beasts or els 10/- in money. And allso that no man put eny stone horsse [stallion] or any scabbid or mayngey horsse beaste in the said comon vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1571, § 61, and 1574, § 24).

26.—The Wall near West Hall Decayed.

"Item we present that the wall betwene the garden by the west hall, w^{ch} Mr. Vinsent hath appertayning to the stable now in the custody of Jacomy de maryne & James maior ys not repayrid as yt was geven in comaundement the Last yeare wherfor he hath forfeitid 10/-. And be yt comaundid to the said Mr. Vinsent or Mr. Jacksone to repayer & amend the same by St. James daye next vppon payne of 13/4." (Cf. 1571, § 63, and 1574, § 39).

27.—A Sink which endangers the Town Wall to be Repaired.

"Item we present that ther is a sinke w^{ch} passeth under the towne wall behynde M^r Croks garden ys greatly decayed and the towne wall there is much fallen downe by reason thereof, be yt comaunded to those that ought to amend the same sufficiently to repayer the same between this and S^t James daye next vppon payne of 10/-."

28.—John Ethen to make a Gutter in Newton Lane.

"Be yt comanndid vnto John Ethen dwelling at the corner of newton Lane to make a gutter or a bony to convaye the water from his howsse into cornelis poyndexters diche on this sid St. James daye next vppon payne of 6/8."

29.—Water to be kept in Town Ditches.

Practically identical with 1571, § 60.

30.—The Selling of Butter.

"Be yt comanndid vnto all Inhabiters of this towne that doth or hereafter shall vse to salt butter in the somer tyme that they nor none of them doo from hence forth sell no salt butter above 4d. the pound vppon payne of Losinge all the said butter so solde & ev^{er}y tyme so offending 3/4. And allso be yt comanndid vnto ev^{er}y of them that shall powther [salt] butter to sell agayne shall not come in to the m^{ar}ket to by eny there but shall make there provision abroad out of the towne in such places as do not accustomably vsse to come to serve o^f ma^rket vppon payne of 3/4 for ev^{er}y tyme so offending." (Cf. 1571, § 47).

31.—The Banks near God's House.

"Item we present that wheras yt was geven in comanndement the Laste yeare vnto the provest or stewarde of godes howsse that they or one of them shuld cause to be pyllid, fillid & Repayrid ther banks wthout godes howsse gate betwixt ther grounde & the sea w^{ch} they have not done wherfor they have forfeitid ther payne on them sett w^{ch} is 20/- being comanndid to them sufficiently to repayer, fyll, pylle & amend the same bancks one thissid the feaste of St. James next vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1571, § 59, and 1574, § 26).

32.—Rules for the Bakers.

"Item we p^resent that the bakers of this towne do vse to bake & sell 4 Loves of horsse bread for a peny & sell 14 for [instead of] 12 to the dozen to the Inholders, w^{ch} is contrary to thanntiant orders of this realme & statuts in that behallffe made w^{ch} is a great deceyt to the qwenes ma^{ties} subiects, for that the Inholders having 4 selleth but 2 as in Leek sort they ought yf they hadd but 3 loves for a peny, wherfore the said bakers hath forfeitid 6/8 a pece. And be yt comanndid vnto the said backers to bake horssebred so as they sell but 3 loves for a peny & not above vppon payne of 10/- a pece." (Cf. 1577, § 93).

33.—John Harrison's Encroachments and his Gutters.

"Item we p^resent that John harrisson hath encrochid vppone the queenes heyghe waye in the heyghe streat wth his stall and allso wth his penthowsse & hathe not redressed the same as yt was geven in comanndement the Laste yeare wherfor he hath forfeitid his payne to him lymitid [appointed] w^{ch} is 10/- be yt comanndid to the said John harrisson to amend the same & to make playne [make level by filling up] the twoo gutters w^{ch} he hath made befor his doore contrary to the order of this towne for that the same gutters be hurtfull to the carts that passeth that way comonly on thissid St. Jamestyd next vppon payne of 10/-." (Cf. 1574, § 32).

34.—Gutters and Bouney in East Street.

"Be yt comanndid to thinhabytants of the East streat that hath ther gutters passing to a boney, leing athwarte theaste streat, sufficiently to repayer & amend the said gutters befor ther dors so that the said water maye passe corrantly to the said bonye & to escour & make cleane the said gutters & boney from

tyme to tyme, & that they mak or cause to be mad 2 gratts of yeron [iron] to set one ev^{er}y syd of the stone of the sayd boney to keppe the sayd boney from stopping wth fylth one thissid mydsomer next vppon payne of 12d. a pece." (Cf. 1576, § 8).

35.—The Lane from Hogland to St. Mary's Street to be opened up.

"Item we present that Mr. turner & the other that holdeth thorchard adioying to the Lane that Leadeth frome hogland to Saint maris streat & Lytten [churchyard] w^{ch} Lane hath byne a comon fut path & waye of easment for the quenes subiects to passe tyme out of mynde. And the same now is stopped vppe & dyched at thends wthe great dytches for redresse wherof we desyre yo^r worshippes that you wold appoynt the same to be throwen downe out of hand & that they maye be comandid to sett vppe the stylls there agayne as befor yt was befor midsomer next vppon payne of 40/- a pece." (Cf. 1574, § 13).

36.—Matthew Manhat's House to be Repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the howsse that mathewe manhat dwellethe in being the towne howsse is greatly in decaye & the backe p^{ar}te therof Leeke to fall done, wherof we praye redresse." (Cf. 1574, § 36).

37.—Paving Above Bar.

"Be yt comanndid vnto all thenhabitants above the barre that they & ev^{er}y of them on bothe sydes of the heyghe waye do pave before ther dors & make ther gutters from mr. rocks howsse on thone sid and thomas brokers housse on thother syd as Mr. Rocke & Robert bedam have done w^{ch} wer very necessary & that the same maye be don one thissid michaelmas next vppon payne of 2/- a pece."

38.—Fence and Building in Broad Lane to be Repaired.

"Be yt comanndid vnto mr. whyte or mr. bowyer or to whome yt doth ap^{er}tayne to make a palle or sufficient fence betwixt the grounde at brod Lane ende & mr. alfses ground before bartillmew daye next, vppon payne of 20/- & be yt allso comanndid vnto them sufficiently to repayer the tenement at brod lane ende & to newe bild the same for that yt is Leeke to fall & that proclamacon therof be made for the rep^{ar}acons therof accordinge to the statute for decayed howsses in termes provided."

39.—Rules for Coopers concerning size of Barrels.

"Be yt comanndid vnto all the coop^{ers} of this towne that they nor none of them do from hence forth make any hoggeshedds for beere onles they do hold & contayne 63 gallons of bere mesure vppon payne of forfyture of ev^{er}y suche caske & $3\frac{1}{4}$ besydes & that they nor any of them make from hence forth no herringe barrells but accordinge to the statute & that they & ev^{er}y of them do sett ther m^arke wth a hot yeron vppon the hedd of alle casks that they make vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1574, § 66).

40.—A Bouney to be made by John Elliot.

"Item we p^{re}sent that John Elliot of the wallnutt tree nether quays wyffe hath not made the bouney athwarte ov^{er} thomas netlys grounde to voyde the watter of the said Elliot in suche sorte as his said watter maye have his free course throughe the ground of the said thomas neteley into the gutter or water course of Hewe darvall Leading into easte streat wherfor they have forffetid 10/-. And be yt comanndid vnto them to make the same boney in such sorte that yt shall not anoye the said netly & to mayntayne & repayer the same as nead shall requier & also yt is agreed that the said Elliot shall suffer nicholas Lovells water to passe throughe his courte as his gouter dothe Lead & that the p^{re}misses maye be done between this & mydsomer next vppon payne of 13/4."

41.—William Nutshaw's Encroachment.

"Item we p^{re}sent that william nutshaw hath not amendid his diche w^{ch} doth encroche vppon the Quenes heyghe waye as he was comanndid to doo the Last Lawdaye & div^{er}s tymes ells, wherfore he hath forfetid his payne of $33\frac{1}{4}$. And whereas he sayeth that yt is his owne ground, we the wholle twelve do find yt to be the quenes heyghe waye & that yt hath byne encroched by him vppon the said highe waye contrary to all Law & reasone & be yt comandid to the sayd william to amend the same before mychaellmas next vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1569, § 19, and 1573, § 59).

42.—The Brewers to buy Wood that comes by water.

"Be yt comanndid that no brewers of this towne nether wthin the walls nor wthout doo buye eny wood that vsseth to come to this towne by carte, but shall make ther provission by water." (Cf. 1574, § 16).

43.—Overseers of Wood and Coal.

"Allso we desir that ther maye be some appoyntid to be overseers of wood & colls for that the wood is very evill markid & the coole sacks to Lyttell by two busshells in a Sacke." (Cf. 1571, §§ 9 and 10, and 1573, § 6).

44.—The Gutter of Mrs. Cryer's House to be repaired

before Michaelmas on pain of 3/4.

45.—Edward Marrant to amend his gutter

before Michaelmas on pain of 5/-.

46.—Richard Rosse to remove a Slaughter House and cleanse a Sink behind his House

under penalty of 10/-. (Cf. 1574, §§ 36 & 37).

47.—Three Houses within the East Gate to be repaired by Stephen Alpe.

"Item we p^rsent that the 3 tenements of the towns wthin the east gate that be in the handes of stephan Alpe customer [collector of customs] by Lease arre in great decaye & is a great perishing of the town walls in suche sorte that by reason of the rayne watter that procedeth in the winter tyme frome the said houses vpon the said wall wthout spedy reformacon will very shortly fall to the great Chardge of the said towne, & wheras yt was geven In comandement at the Last Lawday for the rep^racons therof the same hath not byne amendid, wherfor they to whom it appertayneth hath forfeitid 20/- & in Leek sorte be yt comandid to the sayde stephen Alpe to repayer the same howsses sufficiently on thissid the feaste of st. mychaell next vpon payne of 26/8." (Cf. 1574, § 33).

48.—Thomas Courtmell to repair two Bouneys

before Midsummer on pain of 10/-.

49.—Sampson Thomas to remove Nuisances

which annoy Peter Janverin and John Ayles.

50.—Trading by Non-Burgesses.

"Item we p^rsent that dyvers of this towne not being burgeases of the same have & do vse to by all suche m^rchaundyes as cometh by sea as freely as eny burgese contrarye to all reason

& good order. And the same not only Retayling but selleth holesalle agayne to the great hinderans to all the burgeases w^{ch} we thinke not met [meet, right] nor necessary, but onelye to buye so muche as will serve for ther retaylle & sell none by hollesall, wherfore we desire yo^r worships to consider of yt that the redresse therof maye be hadd."

51.—Bowling and Neglect of Archery.

"Item we p^rsent that ther be so mayny bowling allis & so much bowling contrary to statute that the mayntenance of Archery is cleane Lefte vnex^recyssid, for redresse wherof we desire yo^r worships that ther may be certayne honest men appoynted to take vewe therof in the hollydayes & to compell suche as do vse bowlling that maye shutte to exercys them selves in shutting or ells to levy the for. [? forfeiture] of statute."¹

52.—Gutter to be repaired by Bolton's Widow

upon pain of 5/-.

53.—False Weights and Measures.

(1) Six persons fined from 4d. to 2/6 for having Bottells of Hay too light. A note adds—"we fynd that when the lode of heye is not worthe above 8/- the lode, every bottell of heye ought to weye 3 lb. at the least." (Cf. 1550, §§ 28 & 33, and 1551, § 11).

(2) Nine persons fined from 2d. to 1/- for having false or unsealed weights & measures.

54.—Docks to be filled up at West Quay and Water Gate.

"Item we present that wheras all those w^{ch} do vse to bylde shippes & botts at the west Keye do vse to digge docks at weste caye wheras they do byld them & do not fylle vppe the same agayne, by reasone wherof the sayd Keye is mervelusly annoyed & filled vppe in suche sorte that divers shippes & barks there comyng in is leeke to be ov^{er}throwen by reasson of the said banks, wherof we praye reformacons accordingly & that all those that hathe so made the same docks maye reforme the same out of hande and that the Leek maye be done at watergate."

55.—Thomas Hoskins to scour the Ditch

running from his stable into Houndwell.

¹ In the *Toxophilus*, which was presented by the author, Roger Ascham, to King Henry VIII. in 1545, one of the arguments in favour of archery at the public butts is that it will tend to the neglect of unlawful games, especially cards and dice:—"The teaching of youth to shoot should not only make them shoot well but also pluck away by the roots all other desire to naughty pastimes, as dicing, carding and bowling, which without any teaching are used everywhere to the great harm of all youth of this realm."—W.F.M.

56.—Roger Halliday and John Sedgwick to scour their Ditches from Wyatt's well to Hoglands. (Cf. 1574, § 58).

57.—John Harrison not to lay wood and casks against Matthew Manhat's wall.

"Item we p^resent that wheras John harrisson was comanndid that he shuld Laye no more woode nor casks agaynst mathewe manhat's wall in the housse wher walter earle nowe dwelleth that he doth & hath Layed the same agayne agaynst the said wall, by reasson wherof he hath Lost his payne, viz. 6/8, & be yt Comanndid to him to Leye no more vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1574, § 49).

58.—The Drivers of the Common.

Following the list of the eight drivers comes the note :—

"Item we p^resent that the dryvers oweth 12/3 for marking of cattall & poundage of cattall as by ther accompte apperethe for the Laste yeare, parte wherof is for a straye hogge 3/-, w^{ch} money we refer ov^{er} towards the rep^acons of the heyghe waye by yo^r worshipps to be receavid."

59.—Protest by a Juror.

Following the signatures of the Jurors at the end of the book comes the note :—

"I will^m. Nutshawe being of the 12 men do agre to all things contayned in this boke savinge ondy the p^resentment of thencroching of the quens high way (said) by me to be maid w^{ch} I do deny for that I have taken no more then my owen grond.

Per me Willm. nutshawe." (Cf. 1573, § 41).



A.D. 1574.

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Title: Cotthorn: Curia legalis dominæ reginæ tenta apud Cotthorne prædictam pro villa et comitate Southampton coram Thoma Shokisborowe majore dictæ villæ ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem pro termino Hocketwednesdaye, secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, ffranciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc. XIIIItō [? XVIItō].¹

Mayor: Thomas Shuxborough (1573-4).

Jurors:

John Jackson	Richard Goddard	Richard Biston
Hugh Darvall	Thomas Burke	John Wilmot
James Webbe	Richard Waterton	Thomas Demarecke
William Singleton	John Ellsey	Phellipp Martin
Richard Etner	David Morell	John à Deane

Free Suitors (1574):

The Prior of God's House	Thomas Chaffin
The Warden of Winchester College	Gerard Marrin
The Presentator of St. Mary's	Heirs of Richard Hawkins
Edward White	William Capelin
George Pawlet	Heirs of Walter Baker
Richard Knight	„ Henry Whittoft
John Capelin	„ — Banester
John Crooke	Richard Goddard
Nicholas Capelin	Reginald Howse
William Staveley	Heirs of Lawrence Sendye
Heirs of Edward Wilmot	„ Thomas Fleming
(inf. aet.)	Barnard Courtmill
John Gregory	Heirs of Lawrence Groce
Heirs of George Mille	Richard Daye
(inf. aet.)	James Webbe
„ Thomas Mylles	Wardens of S. Lawrence's
Thomas fflashin	John Ayles

¹ For translation cf. 1566 Hock Tuesday was April 27th, and the Court Day, May 4th, 1574.

Free Suitors—continued.

Hugo Darvall
 Heirs of John Comerlande
 „ Thomas Fuller
 Richard Estone
 Richard Baylie
 Heirs of Thomas Casburde
 „ John Briget alias
 Vovarte
 „ Roger Delacorte
 John Bulicar

William Nutshawe
 Thomas Weldon
 James Eling
 Robert Knaplock¹
 Peter Janverin
 Lawrence Williams
 John Favor
 Mathew Mahault
 Henry Massie

NOTE.—Twelve of these Free Suitors are named later in the book as having “made defalte.” The list presents some points of interest. It is as follows:—

The Warden of the Newe
 College of Winton
 Walter Lambert for St Marys
 Edward Whyte esquier
 George Paulet esquier
 Richard Knight gent
 Thomas Fashin

Theyres of Thomas Chaffin
 Gerard de Maryne
 Thomas Banester
 Laurance Grosse
 William Nutshawe
 Peter Janverin

“STALL AND ART” LISTS.

PARISH OR WARD.	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—“Holly Roodes” ...	59 ...	From 2d. to 20/- ...	£3 . 11 . 10
II.—“St Lawrence” ...	21 ...	„ 2d. „ 3/4 ...	£1 . 2 . 4
III.—“All Saints w th in the Barre” ...	35 ...	„ 2d. „ 3/- ...	£0 . 17 . 2
IV.—“All Saints above the Barre” ...	30 ...	„ 2d. „ 3/4 ...	£0 . 15 . 6
V.—“Bagrow & Easte street”	14 ...	„ 2d. „ 2/- ...	£0 . 6 . 2
VI.—“St Mychells & Saynd Johans” ...	103 ...	„ 2d. „ 40/- ...	£6 . 3 . 0
	262		£12 . 16 . 0

¹ “Beddam” was written first, but it was crossed out and “Knaplock” was substituted for it.

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—The Salt House.**

Identical with 1573, § 1. (Cf. 1575, § 1).

2.—The Butts to be Repaired.

"Also we dessire that those who have the erbadge & proffit of the towne ditches may put herdles or other deffence to save & kepe the said butts from the hurt of the Cattell w^{ch} spoile the same." (Cf. 1573, § 2, and 1575, § 2).

3.—Mr. Lambert's Rails, Road, and Ditches not yet Repaired.

Forfeit of 33/4. To be done by the feast of St. James on pain of £3/6/8. (Cf. 1573, § 3, and 1575, § 3).

4.—Butchers for killing Calves under five weeks old.

Forfeiture of 6/8 each. Similar to 1573, § 4, and 1575, § 4.

5.—Wood and Coal to be officially measured.

The Jurors again request that men may be appointed who shall act as "ov^{er}seers of the same when eny suche fewell comith to the towne." Similar to 1573, § 6. (Cf. also 1575, § 6).

6.—The Depositing of Rubbish in the Highway.

The Jurors present that "the skaveng^{ers} layethe the filthe and roobidge of the towne" in the highway leading towards the West Quay and do not throw it to the piles as they ought to do (Cf. 1573, § 11).

7.—Town Walls and Ways round the Walls in decay.

The Jurors present that the way towards "the tower callid the platfoorme wheare the Racks stoode ys eaten wth the sea & ys like to founder for want of piles & other rep^{ar}ations to deffend the sea water, & also the gutter or issue of wat^{er} that Comithe out by thallom seller & the bruers tower, the walles theare arre very muche founderid & in like sorte very needefull to be speedely amendid & Rep^{ar}ed w^{ch} we dess^{ire} to be amendid (as also in like other places)." (Cf. 1573, § 12).

8.—Pollution of the Roads within the Walls.

Similar to 1573, § 13. (Cf. 1575, § 7).

9.—Sanitary matters

in the neighbourhood of the Alum Cellar to be attended to. (Cf. 1575, § 57).

10.—Mr. Jeffrey's Ditch still not Fenced.

Order of 1573, § 14, not obeyed, hence fine of 26/8. To be done by St. James on pain of 40/-. (Cf. 1573, § 14, and 1575, § 8).

11.—Bulwarks near Salt Marsh decayed.

Similar to 1573, § 15.

12.—The Lane from East Gate to God's House.

"Item we p^rsent that wheareas yt was Comaundid vnto those that have ground on both sydes the orcherd lane the last lawday to amend & rep^re the said lane w^{ch} they have not donne & thearefore have forfeitid theare paine w^{ch} ys 6/8 apece. And be yt further Comaundid vnto them & ev^{er}y of them & namely [especially] vnto those that ought to amend & Rep^re neere & about the gate at the enteraunce out of the east strete into the saide lane in suche sorte that from hence foorth the water stond not in the said lane or heighe way & that the same may be amendid & rep^red on this syde the feast of St. James thappostell next vpon payne of 10/- a peece." (Cf. 1573, § 5, and 1576, § 35).

13.—The Lane from Hogland to St. Mary's still Closed.

"Item we p^rsent that whereas yt was comaunded to Mr. Turner to open and break upp the lane w^{ch} he hathe enclosid and shut upp betwixt St. Mary's and Hoglands and hathe byne tyme out of mind comon and free for a foote pathe for the easement of the queens litche [liege] people w^{ch} ys not doone, whearefore he hathe forfeitid hys payne w^{ch} was 40/- and be yt further comaundid unto hym to open and style the same againe as yt was beefore and that the same may be doone out of hand upon pain of three pounds or otherwise that yt wolde please your worships to appoint some men to throwe yt downe and open the same." (Cf. 1573, § 35, and 1576, § 43).

14.—Mathew Manhat's House still not Repaired.

Similar to 1573, § 36.

15.—Complaint against the Brickmaker.

"Item we present that wheras the brickemaker hath the comoditie [use] of the ground in o' comon to make bricke In consideracon wherof the townsmen ought to have bricke from time to tyme as they have need so yt is that he comonly prepayers the same for gentillmen & others of the country, & the townsmen cane gett none to do ther necessary busines wherof we pray redresse." (Cf. 1576, § 49).

16.—The Brewers to buy Wood that comes by Water.

Sampson thomas, Robert Russell, barnard cortmill, brewers, buy wood by carts. (Cf. 1573, § 42, and 1575, § 9).

17.—The Brewers to provide Filling Beer.

"Also we present that they (the brewers) do not bring fillinge beere to fill ther barrells accordinge to the auntiant coustom wherfor we desire that they may have a kyttell wth a pype & bere wth them to fille the same for that yt is a great robbing of the poore & Ryche & great exclamation therof groweth by the poor, be yt comaundid to them to bring filling bere & fill ther vessalls vpon payne of £10 a pece for they gaynyth much moor therbye." (Cf. 1571, § 21, and 1575, § 10).

18.—The Glovers and their Skins.

Similar to 1573, § 18. The penalty to be increased to 6/8 each. (Cf. 1575, § 11).

19.—The Porters and the Salt Marsh.

Similar to 1573, § 20. The penalty increased to 13/4.

20.—The Brewers not to dig Clay in Salt Marsh.

"Item we p^{re}sent that m^r favare & the Reste of the Brewares doe fetch there claye in saulte merche wth is a grete Decaye to the saide marche & is everye yeare presentide & noe Redresse had for hite." (Cf. 1571, § 41, and 1575, § 15).

21.—Mr. John Caplin's House.

Practically identical with 1573, § 21, and 1575, § 50.

22.—Clay taken from Salt Marsh for Mr. Courtmeil.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the dryvers doo report vnto vs that Wateredge of Hill hathe diggid & caried away two Cartes

laden wth Clay out of the salt m^rshe w^{ch} was as they say for m^r Courtemell w^{ch} ys Contrary to order wheareffor he ys to be am^{er}ssed in 20/-."

23.—Wells and Pumps still unrepaired.

See 1573, § 24, and 1575, § 16.

24.—Useless and Diseased Horses on the Common.

Identical with 1573, § 25. (Cf. also 1575, § 17).

25.—Cutting Turf at Padwell Cross.

"Item we present that John brewer hath cutt torves in the cheffest plot of grounde at John aguarnzeys crosse¹ & therby greatly spoyllid the ground ther wherfore we have amersid him at 2/-." (Cf. 1576, § 53).

26.—The Banks near God's House still not Repaired.

Presentment similar to 1573, § 31. The penalty of 20/- is declared to be forfeited, and a like penalty is to be incurred if the banks are not repaired on this side St. James's day. (Cf. 1573, § 31).

27.—The Bouney beyond Canshot not Repaired.

"Item we present that the bony beyonde caneshott is not repayrid wherfor they that ought to repayer the same hath forfeitid ther payne w^{ch} is 10/-. And be yt comaundid to them that ought to repayer the same to repayer the same befor midsomer vppon payne of 13/4." (Cf. 1573, § 8, and 1575, § 18).

28.—The Porters to Remove a Heap of Rubbish

which they have placed "at the watering place beyond the same bouney" near Canshot.

29.—Conduit Heads Decayed.

"Item we present that the conduct heddes is decayed for want of the Raylls that be not mayntayned agaynst them so that the cattall doth robe the bricks downe wherof we praye Redresse." (Cf. 1573, § 16, and 1575, § 21).

30.—The Ditches near Padwell and Rockstone Lane.

The penalty of 6/8 assigned last Lawday is forfeited. The repairs to be done by midsummer on pain of 10/-. (Cf. 1573, § 9, and 1575, § 22).

¹ John o' Guernsey's Cross, more usually known as Padwell Cross, near the present Ordnance Office.

31.—Heap of Rubbish near Mr. Wilmot's Farm.

This nuisance made by the inhabitants Above Bar to be removed. (For Mr. Wilmot's Farm cf. 1573, § 7).

32.—John Harrison's Encroachments and his Gutters.

Similar to 1573, § 33. There has been no amendment, so John Harrison has forfeited his penalty of 10/-. He is commanded to obey the Court before St. James's day under a like penalty (Cf. 1573, § 33, and 1575, § 26).

33.—Mr. Alpe's Tenements.

Presentment similar to 1573, § 47. Mr. Alpe has forfeited the penalty of 26/8, and is commanded to obey before St. Bartholomew's day next under pain of 33/4. (Cf. 1573, § 47, and 1575, § 65).

34.—Conveyance of Richard Etner's Water.

"Item we have agreyd & concluded that hewe darvalle's housse wherin Bourladye darvall dwellith in nowe shall beare & convaye the watter of Richard Etner's house wherein trystrome Rossell nowe dwellithe."

35.—Barnard Courtmill's Gutter.

"Item we present that barnard cortmill for the Lacke of a gutter that he is bounde to repayer betwen his housse & Raynold brownes house the water hath p^rishid all that side of the housse & is fallen downe throughe his defalte, be yt comandid to him to amend the same gutter by mydsomer next vppon payne of 20/-."

36.—The House of Richard Rosse the Butcher in Simnel Street.

"Item we p^resent that a housse w^{ch} is the townes & nowe in the tenore of Rosse the boucher is gretlye in decaye & part of the saide house is down & verye nedfull of grete reperassions & amendment, & also the saide Rosse dothe make a slatterhouse in the afforesaide housse w^{ch} dothe anoye verye gretlye there neybores by Reassone of the fylthe & corrupsiione w^{ch} dothe proside out of the said slatterhouse into the Backside & also the saide Backside or courte dothe beare the watter of paull elliates housse & of Lynches house w^{ch} dothe also fylle vpe the said cortte beyng the townes wth fylthe & corrupsiione as afforesaide prayinge you to consider therof for we thinke hit not good that the towne house or courte should beare the wattares, the w^{ch} housse is in symnell strete." (Cf. 1573, § 46, and 1575, § 27).

37.—Richard Rosse's Slaughter House and Sink.

Last year's penalty of 10/- forfeited. The slaughter house to be removed and sink cleansed by St. James's day under pain of 25/-. (Cf. 1573, § 46).

38.—The Towers near East Gate in decay.

"Item we p^resent that the two towares of the towne walles nyxte vnto este gate ar founde & verye nedfull to be Reparede wherefor we desyre your Worshipes to have them Vewede & amende Leste they faull doune & put the towne to a gretter charge."

39.—The Walls near West Hall still unrepaired.

Presentment similar to 1573, § 26. Forfeiture of 13/4. The repairs to be done by St. James's day on pain of 20/-. (Cf. 1573, § 26).

40.—John Manfield to remove Soil from East Street.

"Be hit Comandede vnto John Manfylde to Ryde & carrye awaye the soylle before his house in the easte strete one this side of whittsondaye vpon payne of 2/-."

41.—Mistress Butler to remove soil

from beside her garden paling under pain of 1/-

42.—Mistress Lombard to fence the Sluice near God's House.

"Be hit Comandid vnto goodye Lombarde or vnto home hit dothe apartayne to palle the scluse at godshouse before mydsomer nyxte for that hit Lyethe opene w^{ch} is verye dayngerous for childerone vpon payne of 5/-."

43.—The Rails of the Watch Tower Steps to be repaired.

"Iteme we p^rsente that the Raylles vpe the steares goynge vpe vnto the Wache towere ar verye open & nedfull to be Repearrede & pallide for dyvares good consideraciones." (Cf. 1575, § 28).

44.—Walter Fashin's Wall.

"Be hit comaundid vnto walter fashone or vnto home hit dothe ap^rtayne to Repeare & make vpe his Waulle betwexe his tenemente & Robarte foullars Joyner whoe is the townes Tenente for that hit is a greate anoyance vnto the saide Robart & to be mad vpe by St. James tide nyxte vpon payne of 5/-." (Cf. 1574, § 57).

45.—Arnold Clark to remove Soil from his Back Gate
under penalty of 3/4. (Cf. 1575, § 56).

46.—Soil to be removed from Bugle Street and the Gutter Repaired.

"Be hit comandide vnto mr. Vincent, mathewe sayere, & William clarke to Ryd & carye awaye the soylle & fylthe that Lyethe in boulle strette & to have the Kaynell [canal or gutter] welle pavyde, escourede & mad cleane so that the watter & fylthe do Reste ther noe more, for that hit is a grete anoyance vnto the pepolle & also verye dayngerous for thenfescione of this towne that the same maye be Repearede, clenside & amenidide by St. Jaymes tide nyxte vpon payne of 10/-."

47.—The Watch.

"Item we p^rsent that the watche of this towne ys neither good nor sufficient but very weak and vnmeet for the p^rs^ervacon of thys towne for that those that be ordinary & Comon watchemen arre suche as be poore Labourers & most of them very weak men w^{ch} doo worck at day labo^r by day, so that yt ys not to be thaught that they may watche the night also, whearein the towne is mucche disseavid & yff better watche be not p^rovided in tyme yt may toorne the whol towne to greate domadge, whearefor we dess^re yo^r worships to take suche order that better watche may be kept & good able men to s^erve in the same & also that the Castell bell may be Ronge ev^ery night as yt was wont to be the last yeere for the more comfort & better assuranncce off thinhabitants of this towne, for yt hathe not beene vssid & Ronge cithence [since] mighelmas last notwthstandinge that yt hathe bin very mucche & often spoken of, wheareof we dessier yo^r worships to have Redresse." (Cf. 1575, § 30).

48.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Salt Marshes.

"Also we dessier that the Earthe, Roobidge, doonge & other soyle w^{ch} liethe in the streats as in & about the Castell green, biddels gate, bull streate, gods house, houndwell crose, behind the walles & in the east streate may be caried into the Salt m^arshes & theare dysp^ersed abroad wheare neede ys to levell the sayd ground w^{ch}, as yt nowe ys, ys almost spoylid & m^aed by reason that the ditches theare abouts arre not mended & the water ov^ercomithe the levell grounde, so that yff yt be not Remedied in tyme yt will be littell or nothings worthe in a feawe years, w^{ch} weare greate pitie for that yt ys a very frutfull

grounde & a greate comfort to all the Inhabitants of this towne. And for the ov^{er}seeinge of the same to be doone yt may please yo^r wo^rships to comande the said Inhabitants to send theare s^{er}vants or other to helpe in the p^{er}misses & appoint other to see yt doon." (Cf. 1575, §§ 14 and 31).

49.—John Harrison's Wood and Casks.

John Harrison continues to lay wood and casks against Matthew Manhat's wall. Hence he is fined 6/8 and threatened with fine of 10/- for next offence. (Cf. 1573, § 57, and 1575, § 32).

50.—Lists of Tipplers and Undertenants presented by the Bedells.

51.—Walter Fashin's Walls.

"Be yt Comaundid vnto walter fashin to make vp his walles betwixt his tenements in the w^{ch} willm hicks nowe dwellithe & mr. Alpes gardin for that yt ys a great annoyannce vnto the said mr. Alpe, whearefor be yt Comaundid vnto the said walter fashin to amend & make vp the same on thys syde of St. James day next vpon paine of 6/8." (Cf. 1574, § 44).

52.—Discovery of Calf Skins.

"Item we present that we founde 8 calve skins in James readings pits & 2 in hockets pytts, wherfore they have forf^d. 20d, for ev^{er}y one according to the statute."

53.—False Weights and Measures.

Thirty-six persons fined sums varying from 2d. to 13/4.

54.—Brewing and Baking in Houses.

"Item we present that Robert beddam, Thomas Broker, Thomas moore, hughe booker & John simons do bake & brewe in ther howsses & sell the same by retayell contrary to the orders of the towne wherfor they arre to be amersid & considerid of as yo^r worshipps shall thinke good." (Cf. 1575, § 33).

55.—The Wall near the Lime Kiln in Decay.

"Item we present that the wall by the Lyme Kill is alltogether vnplancked & vnbordid by reason wherof great hurt & hinderance maye be don wherof we desire redresse & that as [because] we vnderstand that y^t is a comon waye for evill dispossid p^{er}sons to passe to & froo by nighte." (Cf. 1575, § 34).

56.—A Dangerous Hole in Gosling Lane.

"Item we present that in gosling Lane wth the gordier [flood] of Rayne ther is suche a greate holle that divers cattall hath byne Leek to be killid by reason therof, wherfor be yt comaundid to suche as ought to amend the same to repayre yt on thissid mid-somer next vppon payen of 10/-." (Cf. 1569, § 53, and 1575, §§ 35 and 63).

57.—Selling Liquors by Stone Pots.

"Item we present John Erington, John segwicks, Ric. stoner, James Eling, John simonds, Robert boddan & thomas brooker sells bere in stone potts, wherfor they are amercid at 6/8 a pece." (Cf. 1571, § 74, and 1575, § 36).

58.—Roger Halliday to scour Ditch

from Wyatt's Well to Kingsland. (Cf. 1573, § 56).

59.—Unlawful Games.

"Item we present that we founde in the howsse of Robert fuller Champion & thomas george at tabbles [playing at backgammon] wherfor he hath forfeitid his recognizance." Robert Fuller is also amercid 12d. for selling ale in stone pots.

60.—Unlicensed Hucksters.

"Item we present that all the tiplers in this towne arr hocksters, w^{ch} ought not so to do & div^{ers} other ther be that arre hucksters vnlicensid & that they are comon forstallers & Regrators & Ingrossers of the market wherof we desire Redres according to Justice." (Cf. 1571, § 71).

61.—Butter forestalled by Phillip Petevin.

"Item we present phillipe pettevin alias cooke to be a great forstaller of the markit of butter & suche Leeke & doth bespeak yt as we arr informyd all in 2 myles compasse byeng the same for the strangers wherfor he is to be delt wthall by yo^r wo'shipps according to the statute wherof we praye spedy redresse." (Cf. 1571, § 69).

62.—Robert Russell's deficient Beer Barrels.

"Item we present that Robert Russell doth vse to sell his bere in barrells callid humber barrells w^{ch} ought to contayne 2

kilderkins¹ & is sold for 2 kilderkins comonly callid barreles, w^{ch} humber barells doth want of 2 of those kilderkins 3 gallons at the Least to the great decept of the Quens ma^j subiects & especially the poore of this towne, w^{ch} cane not be but a great gayne to him therby & so hath vsid Longe tyme w^{ch} is greatly to be considerid of & throughly to be redressid & the p^remises considered we have thought good to amersse him at £10, be yt comandid to him to vse no more such barrells vppon payne of £40, vnless they be according to the auntiant gayge tyme out of mynd ther vsid." (Cf. 1575, § 41).

63.—Robert Russell's un-marked Barrels.

"Item we farther present that the same Robert Russell doth comonly vse to sell his bere in humber barrells and kilderkins, to the number of 30, not havinge the coopers marke one them by his owne confession, wherfor he hath forfeitid according to the statut in that behalffe mad 6/- for ev^{er}y barell, wherfor we have amersid him according to the said statut at £9."

64.—Barnard Courtmill's deficient and unmarked Barrels.

"Item we present that barnard Cortmill hath 12 hambertons in Leek sort to Littell, wherfor he is amersid in £3 & theye be also vnmarkid contrary to the statut wherfor he hath for. [forfeited] 6/- for a pece, w^{ch} is £3 12s."

65.—Samson Thomas's deficient and unmarked Barrels.

"Item we p^resent that samson thomas hath 7 humber barrells to Littell, wherfor he is amersid at 10/- for they be newe & they be vnmarkid contrary to the statut wherfor he hath forfeitid 6/- for ev^{er}y barrell w^{ch} is 42/."

66.—Rules for the Coopers concerning Barrels.

"Item we p^resent That we have founde many hambertonnes in the bruers houses w^{ch} arre to lyttell & not m^arked & burnid wth the Coop^{er}s yron m^arcke, w^{ch} ys Contrary to the statute & to the good and auntient orders & Costom of thys towne, whearefore the coop^{er}s that have eny suche arre to be am^ercid accordinge to the statute. And be yt further Comaundid vnto all the Coop^{er}s wthin this towne that they nor eny them doo make eny barrell or hamberton or other bere or ale vessells but suche as shall be made by o^r auntient gadge or stander of Iron & that ev^{er}y suche vessell bee m^arcked & burnid by the coop^{ers} or makers of

¹ The kilderkin was half a barrel. By statute of 1531-2 it had to contain eighteen gallons of beer or sixteen gallons of ale.

suche vessell for that we have proovid & examinid o^r said gadge & stander by the barrells for beere & have found the said gadge just & trewe, w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be put in vew & exerssize vpon the payne contaynid in the statute." (Cf. 1573, § 39, and 1575, § 89).

67.—The Highway from Mrs. Pasey's Farm to the Common to be Repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the heighe waye Leadinge from the farme late Mrs. paseys to the heathe ys in dyv^{er}s plac^s soncke & foundered & needefull in tyme to be Rep^{ar}ed & amendid for that the long^{er} yt ys in suche case the more chardge yt will requier to be amendid, whearefor we dess^{re} that men & Carts may be apointid for the amendement of the said waies."

68.—Foreigners not to sell by Retail.

"Item we p^{re}sent that Anthony Jurion alient [foreigner] sylke weav^{er} dothe vsse to sell & utter silcke & Riband lace etc. by Retaile & small sale, w^{ch} ys to the hinderance & domadge of suche as keepe Retaylinge shoppes wthin this towne, whearefore we dess^{re} suche warninge may be geven them [? him] that Amendement may followe. And be yt also Comandid vnto suche as doo vsse to Retaile eny other wares or comodyties to reffraine & to sell no more by Retaile, and namely [especially] vnto Robard Coffin tinfoyle beater, whoo doothe and hathe lately solde canvas & hollands to forrenners that come out of the contery. And also be yt Comaundid vnto mathew Sohier, arnolde le clercke, & others that mak s^{er}ge & estamell¹ not to sell the same by Retaile, for we ar^{re} enformed that they doo sell many & dyv^{er}s tymes by retaile whearefore we dess^{re} to have Redresse off the same." (Cf. 1575, § 38).

69.—Thomas Vaughan's Fraudulent Dealings.

He uses a 28 lb. weight for half-a-cwt. Wherefore he is fined 20/-.

70.—John Wakelin's Accounts for Impoundings and Trespasses.

"Item we find that John wakelin thelder ys to answer vnto the towne for that (which) he hath Received for poundadge [i.e., for impounding cattle] for the last yeere, w^{ch} he ought to be accomptable for in the some of 13/4 for trespasses vpon the Comon."

¹ Estamell—a woollen stuff. Cf. O.F. estamin.

71.—Thomas Glanville's Gutter needs repairing,

and is to be put in order before midsummer upon pain of 10/-.

72.—Houses of Evil Rule

kept by Hugh Booker and John Simons to be suppressed. (Cf. 1575, §§ 69 and 70).

73.—The Keeping of Hogs in the Town.

"Item we present that nicholas Roche, Ric Rosse, owen simons, Ric. fuller dothe kepe hogges wthin the towne to the great anoyance of the quenes subiects, wherof we praye redresse & be yt comaundid to them & all others (not) to kepe any more in the Towne vppon payne of $3/4$ a pece that shall therin offende." (Cf. 1575, § 40).

74.—Polluting the Street with Filthy Water.

"Item we present that John harryson & Robert crosse dothe vse to sett there tobbes vnder ther stalls or bordes to receave ther waters & when ther tobbs arre full they p^resently throweth yt into the gutter of the streat to the great anoyance of the quenes subiects wth the stinke therof, be yt comaundid to them to vse yt no moore vppon payne of 10/- a pece." (Cf. 1575, § 39, and 1577, §§ 56 and 57).



A.D. 1575.

Title: (Cotthorne: Curia)¹ legalis dominæ reginæ tenta apud Cotthorne prædictam pro villa et comitate Southamptonæ coram Thoma Dingler majore dictæ villæ ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem pro termino Hocktwesdaye secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, ffranciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc XVII^{mo}.²

Mayor (1574-75): Thomas Dingley.

Jurors:

John Ayles	Richard Daye	Thomas Dumarcke
Richard Biston	Andrew Harris	Thomas Wadlow
William Singleton	Andrew Studley	Alexander Peynton
Richard Goddard	Walter Earle	Philippus Martin
David Morell		

Free Suitors:

The Prior of God's House	Gerard Marrin
The Warden of Winchester College	Heirs of Richard Hawkins
The Presentator of St. Mary's	William Capelin
Edward White	Heirs of Walter Baker
George Pawlett	„ Henry Whittofte
Richard Knight	„ — Banester
John Capelin	Richard Goddard
John Croke	Reginald Howsse
Nicholas Capeline	Heirs of Lawrence Sendie
William Staveley	„ Thomas Fleming
Heirs of Edward Wilmot	Barnard Cortmill
(inf. aet.)	[Heirs of Lawrence Groce] ³
John Gregory	Richard Daye
Heirs of George Mill	Andrew Studley ⁴
„ Thomas Mylle	Wardens of St. Lawrence's
Thomas fflashin	John Ayles
Thomas Chaffin	Hugo Darvall
	Heirs of John Comerland

¹ MS. torn.

² For Translation, cf. 1566. Hock Tuesday was April 19th, and the Court Day April 26th, 1574.

³ Pen run through this entry.

⁴ James Webbe was written first, but this name was crossed out and "Andrew Studley" substituted for it.

Free Suitors—continued.

Heirs of Thomas Fuller	James Eling
Richard Estone	Robert Knaplock
Richard Baylie	Peter Janverin
Heirs of Thomas Casbard	Lawrence Williams
„ John Briget alias	John Favor
„ Vovert	Mathew Mahalt
„ Roger Delacourt	Henry Massie
John Bullicar	Lawrence Grosse ¹
William Nutshawe	Denis Rowsse
Thomas Weldon	

NOTE.—Ten of these Free Suitors are named later in the book as having made default. They include “Walter Lambert for St. Marys” and “Geordge Paulet Esquier, essoin p. Robert Moor.” At the bottom of the list is added another name, viz. “Thomas Hibby quia fecit def: vis: ffraunc: pleg: III d.” (i.e. Thomas Hibby because he has made default of frankpledge 3d.) This probably means that he was a young man just of age who should have taken his oath of allegiance to the queen, but had failed to do so.

“STALL AND ART” LISTS.

PARISH OR WARD.	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—“Holly Roodes”	... 48...	From 2d. to 20/-	... £3 . 9 . 10
II.—“St. Lawrence”	... 21...	„ 2d. „ 5/-	... £1 . 7 . 8
III.—“All Sainots within the Barre”	... 42...	„ 2d. „ 3/-	... £1 . 4 . 2
IV.—“All Sainots without the Barre”	... 29...	„ 2d. „ 4/-	... £1 . 0 . 8
V.—“Bagrew and East Street”	... 19...	„ 2d. „ 2/-	... £0 . 7 . 8
VI.—“St. Mychaells and St. Johans”	... 114...	„ 2d. „ 20/-	... £6 . 6 . 10
	273		£13 . 16 . 10

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—The Salt House.**

Identical with 1573, § 1. (Cf. 1574, § 1, and 1576, § 1).

2.—The Butts to be Repaired.

Similar to 1573, § 2. (Cf. 1574, § 2, and 1576, § 2).

¹ “pro terris quondam patris sui.”

3.—Mr. Lambert's Rails, Road and Ditches not yet Repaired.

Similar to 1573, § 3. Penalty of £3/6/8 forfeited. To be done by Michaelmas on pain of £4. (Cf. 1574, § 3, and 1576, § 10).

4.—Butchers for killing Calves under five weeks old.

"Item we present that thomas hoskins, the two vaughans, gerge barton, Rich. Rosse, henry Andros, John feveryll, w^m. feveryll & Robert sinckerman, hath killid Calves contrary to the statute, wherefore they have for^{td} 6/8 for ev^{ry} tym they offending wth hath byn vsid by them comonly." (Cf. 1574, § 4, and 1576, § 3).

5.—The Butchers for Killing Cattle within the Town.

"Item we present that all the butchers of this towne except thomas hoskins hathe frome tyme to tyme vsid to kill ther oxen, shepe & other cattall wthin the walls of this Towne not ondy to the great anusans of the Quenes mats. [Majesty's] subiects wth the Infection of the blud & oder of the beaste, but allso contrary to the statute in that behalffe provided w^{ch} is 12d. a beast." (Cf. 1551, § 38, and 1576, § 4).

6.—Wood and Coal to be officially measured.

"Item we p^{re}snt that the p^{re}sentm^{ent} conc^{er}nyng wood & coole is not reformed accordingly wherefore we desyer that it may be had in remembrance." (Cf. 1574, § 5, and 1577, § 92).

7.—Pollution of the Roads within the Walls.

Identical with 1574, § 8.

8.—Mr. Jeffrey's Ditches still not fenced.

Order of 1574, § 10, disobeyed. Hence penalty of 40/- . If not done by St. James's day next, 50/- . (Cf. 1574, § 10).

9.—The Brewers to buy Wood that comes by Water.

Similar to 1573, § 42. (Cf. 1574, § 16, and 1577, § 108).

10.—The Brewers to provide Filling Beer.

"Item we p^{re}snt that the aunceant good order for filling of the beerbruers barrells is not kepte by the bruers according to the late order, wherefore we desyer that they may accomlishe it vpon payne of 40/- for those that make defaulte." (Cf. 1574, § 17, and 1576, § 5).

11.—The Glovers and their Skins.

"Be yt comaundid vnto the glovers above the barre not to Laye ther skynns nor washe them in the dytche at houndwell feld behind ther gardens vppon payne of 6/8 a pece." (Cf. 1574, § 18, and 1577, § 79).

12.—Ditch Above Bar to be scoured.

"Be yt comaundid vnto all the Inhabitants one thest [the east] syd the waye above the barr to escower the dytche behind ther gardyns one thissid the feast of pentecost next vppon paynne of 3/4 a pece." (Cf. 1576, § 6).

13.—Ditch Leading to Houndwell to be Scoured.

"Be yt comaundid vnto thomas hoskins, william fox & all thenhabytants that dwellyth on the north syd the waye Leding to hundwell to escowre the dytches before ther dowres & stables one thissid the feaste of pentecooste next vppon payne of 3/4 a pece & not to Laye any dong ther vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1576, § 6).

14.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Saltmarsh by the Porters.

"Item we present that the porters dothe not carye ther donge into saltm^rshe as yt was geven in comaundement the Laste Lawdaye but doth vse to Laye the same in gods house grene & by the see syd ther to the great anowsans of the quenes subjects, wherfor they have for^d 13/4. And be yt comaundid vnto them to cary awaye the said donge out of godshouse & not to Laye any moor ther but to cary the same into the saltmarshe & put yt in the holls ther vppon payne of 40/-." (Cf. 1574, § 48; 1575, § 30; and 1577, § 63).

15.—The Brewers not to dig Clay in Saltmarsh.

"Item we present that Robert Russell hath fett [fetched] claye in the Saltmarse & putith in the holls saufte Donge w^{ch} doth remayn leeke a quagmyre & will be occacon of breaking of the cattills Leges whereof we praye Redress, and be yt comaundid to him & the rest of the bruers not to offend in the Leek agayne vppon payne of 5/- a pece for ev^{er}y offence." (Cf. 1574, § 20, and 1576, § 12).

16.—The Wells still unrepaired.

"Item we present that the wells of this towne be not repayrid

as yt was geven in comaundement, wherfor the Inhabitants of the p^rishes hath for^{td} 40/- & be yt comanded to them presently [immediately] to repayer the same vppon the Leek payne." (Cf. 1574, § 23).

17.—Useless and Diseased Horses on the Common.

Similar to 1573, § 25. (Cf. 1574, § 24).

18.—The Bounney beyond Canshot still not repaired.

Order of 1574, § 27, not obeyed, hence forfeiture of 13/4. To be done by Midsummer next on pain of 20/-. (Cf. 1574, § 27, and 1576, § 15).

19.—The Highway to Hill in decay.

"Item we present that the highe way goyng to hill is greatly decayed in div^{er}s placis in such sort that yf speddy redres therof be not the carts will not be hable to passe that waye in wynter wherof we praye redres."

20.—Heap of Refuse at Hill.

"Item we present that there is very noysom dongehill mad by them of Hill uppon the hyghwaye by Hill in this libertie.¹ Be yt comaunded to them that hath layed the same ther to cary yt away out of hand uppon payne of 20/-."

21.—Conduit Heads decayed.

Similar to 1574, § 29. (Cf. 1576, § 18).

22.—The Ditches near Padwell and Rookstone Lane.

These are still not repaired. Therefore "Peter Janveryn who kepith the ground hath for^{td} 10/-." If he does not scour them by Bartholomew tide the penalty will be 20/-. (Cf. 1574, § 30; 1575, § 46; and 1576, § 44).

23.—Highway from Houndwell Cross to Cutthorn.

"Item we pressent that the highe waye frome houndwell crosse to cuthorne is greatly in decaye & not repayrid according to the statut wherof we praye Redres." (Cf. 1577, §§ 20 and 24).

24.—Highways and Ditches above Bar.

"Be yt comaundid to Roger hullyday, the porters & all others that hath ground on both sydes of the hyghe waye from the farme above the barr vnto John agarnsis crosse do make dytches

¹ For dispute as to boundary between Southampton and Hill see Davies's Southampton, p. 42.

or bonys before the yats [gates] that Leadyth into the groundes so that the walter [water] maye throughly passe & to escowre ther dytches on both sydes the said waye for that for want therof yt cawses the gordyer [flood] of water that shuld passe throughe that dytches to comyth [come] flowing ov^{er} into the heyghe waye & greatly decayethe the same, & also is the great decaye of gosling Lane. And they to repayer the same one thissid the feaste of mydsomer next vppon payne of 10/- a pece." (Cf. 1576, § 20).

25.—Heap of Refuse in Canshot Lane.

"Item we present that ther is a great dounghill made by the inhabitants above the barr by the windemill in the Caneshute Lane whereof we praye redress for that yt is an nussans to the Queenes subjects."

26.—John Harrison's Encroachments and his Gutters.

The order of 1574, § 32, not obeyed. Hence penalty of 10/- forfeited. If not remedied by S. Bartholomew's day penalty will be 13/4. (Cf. 1574, § 32).

27.—Richard Rosse's Slaughter-house and Sink.

Similar to 1574, § 36. Penalty of 20/- forfeited. If not remedied by S. John the Baptist's day next penalty will be 40/-. (Cf. 1574, § 36, and 1576, § 23).

28.—The Rails of the Watch Tower Steps not yet repaired.

Similar to 1574, § 43. It is explained that "for want of the said pale ther is a very noysome doungehill made." Cf. 1574, § 43, and 1576, § 30).

29.—The Town House in which John Pudghey dwells

is endangered by a defective sink of Richard Rosse and John Thresher and Henry Royston. They are to amend the sink under penalty of 20/- each.

30.—The Watch.

Presentment similar to 1574, § 47. (Cf. 1576, § 34).

31.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Saltmarsh.

Presentment similar to 1574, § 48. (Cf. also 1575, § 14, and 1576, § 36).

32.—John Harrison's Wood and Casks.

"John Harryson hathe not refrayned to laye wood and also casks agaynst the wall of the house of Mathew Mahalt." Hence he is fined 10/- and threatened with a fine of 13/4 for next offence. (Cf. 1574, § 49).

33.—Brewing and Baking in Houses.

Presentment identical with 1574, § 54.

34.—The Wall near the Lime Kiln in decay.

Presentment identical with 1574, § 55. (Cf. also 1576, § 26).

35.—The Dangerous Hole in Gosling Lane not repaired.

"Itm we p^rsent that in goslyng lane wth the goords [floods] of raigne ther is such a great hole that div^{er} Cattell hath ben lyke to be killed & is not reformed wherfor they tha' ought to repayre yt is to forfeyte for the payne a 10/- & now finding yt to be worser a great deale wherfor be yt comandid to such as ought to amend the same to repayer (it) on thissyde mydsom^{er} next vpon payne of a 13/4." (Cf. 1574, § 56, and 1576, § 17).

36.—Selling Liquors by Stone Pots.

"Item we p^rsent John Sedgwicke to be a seller of beere in stone potts, wherfor he hath forfeyte his peyne, w^{ch} is a 6/8 & be yt comaunded vnto him & all the inholders, taverners & vyctualing howses not (to) offend therin in the lyke vppon payne of a 10/- a pece." (Cf. 1574, § 57).

37.—A Stray Bullock.

"Item we present one straye stere bullock couler black 2 yers olde or therabouts cropt eared in both ears w^{ch} came into the common about St. Jears daye paste laste & their remains as a straye & p^rclaimed according to law & remaine in the heand of the towne." (Cf. 1576, § 67).

38.—Foreigners not to sell by Retail.

Practically identical with 1574, § 68.

39.—Polluting the Street with Filthy Water.

Similar to 1574, § 74. John Harrison and Robert Crosse have not done as commanded. Hence they are fined 10/- and threatened with a fine of 20/- for next offence. (Cf. 1574, § 74).

40.—Hogs within the Town.

"Item we p^{re}sentt that Nycholas Roche & george Bartonne bucher dothe kepe their Swine wthin the p^{re}sincts of the waules to the great annoyaunce of all suche as goeth the same way & contrarye to the good orders in that behalfe made by yo^r woorshipps, Cravinge yo^r worshippes spedie redresse for the same Comaunding them & eyther of them (to) refrane the like p^{re}tense vppon paine of 6/8." (Cf. 1574, § 73).

41.—Robert Russell's deficient Beer Barrels.

"Item we present that Robert Russell hath 12 humbar barrells & 2 killderkyns to Lyttell, wherfor he is amersid at fower pounds & hath forfeitid his payn on him sett the Last Lawdaye w^{ch} is £40. And be yt comaundid to him not (to) offend in the Leek from hence forthe vppon payne of the Leeke." (Cf. 1574, § 62, and 1577, § 107).

42.—Path through God's House Field closed by John Sedgwick.

"Item we present that John segwick hathe presumid to stope vppe the comon hyghe waye tyme out of mynde usid throughe the feld called godes hows feld, viz. in closing vpe the stylles wth thornes & stakes & hath puled vppe the bridge that tyme out of mynde hath Layed to passe out of that feld into the porters close, wherfor he is amersid at 3/-. Be yt comaunded vnto him to sett the same at libertie & laye the bridge ther agayne out of hand on payne of 20/-."

43.—Michael Grant's deficient Barrel.

Unless remedied a fine of 40/- to be imposed.

44.—Thomas Hoskins's seizure of Common Land.

"Item we present that thomas hoskins hath presumid to take in of the comon of this Libertie to mak a watering place in his sev^{er}all [private] ground & hath digid & quicke set¹ & hedgid the same to the most evill exsample of others & wthout Lyssens, wherfor we have thought very necessary for example of others to presume the Leek to amearsse him at 20/-. And be yt comaundid to him to fylle vppe the same agayne & to make the dytche as heretofore yt hath byne for passage of the water as before yt hath passid so that yt maye not be noysom to the highe waye & ground ther adjoyning vppon payne of £5." (Cf. 1575, § 77).

¹ Quickset—to plant with living shrubs or trees so as to make a fence.

45.—Another seizure of Common Land.

"Allso we present that the Leek offens hath byne comyttid by suche as heretofore hath holden the grounde next adioynning w^{ch} belongeth to william butcher. And be yt comaundid vnto them that owneth the same grounde to pull vppe the same hedge & to Lett the same at Lyberte agayne befor mydsomer next vppon payne of £5." (Cf. 1577, § 19).

46.—Rockstone Lane in decay.

"Item we present that Rogdens Lane is very much vnrepayrid & ther wantyth a bouney wherof we praye Redres." (Cf. 1575, § 22, and 1576, § 21).

47.—A Bouney in St. Mary's Lane to be made.

"Item we present that for want of a bony at the styll comyng from mr. betts in St. mary Lane the water flowyth out of the dytche into the heyghe waye w^{ch} is greatly the decaying of the same, wherfore be yt comaunded vnto them that ought to amend the same to do yt one thissid mydsomer next vppon payne of 5/-." (Cf. 1576, § 37).

48.—The Ditch near St. Mary's Church to be railed by Mr. Turner.

"Itm we p^{re}sent that ther wanteth Rayles alongest the dytch befor mr. Turn^{er} gardeyn ov^{er} agaynst St. maries church for tha^t the dytch is very depe & therfore very daungerous for Cattell, wherfor be yt comaundid vnto hym to amend the same to do yt on thisside midsom^{er} next vpon payne of 5/-." (Cf. 1576, § 42).

49.—A Bouney to be made near St. Mary's by Mr. John Caplin.

"Itm we p^{re}sent that for want of a bonye at mr. John Capelyns medow gate by St. maries the water ov^{er}floweth the high way w^{ch} is greatlye the decayinge of the same, wherfor be yt comaundid vnto him to amend the same on thisside St. Jeames tyde next vppon payne of 10/-." (Cf. 1576, § 38).

50.—Mr. John Caplin's House.

Presentment similar to 1573, § 21. See also 1574, § 21. Mr. Caplin has done nothing in the matter. No penalty is imposed, but a marginal note says that the question is "to be talked of." (Cf. 1574, § 21, and 1576, § 40).

51.—John Symons's Well polluted by Thomas Brooker's Stable.

"Itm we p^resent that thom^s brooker doth much annoye John Symons by reason of a Stabell w^{ch} he hath so nere vnto the wall of the said Symons that he spoyleth the water of his well w^{ch} be yt comaundid vnto hym to amende the same by midsom^{er} next vpon payne of 20/-."

52.—John Symons complains of annoyance

caused to him by William Tucker, John Major, William Warde and William Taylor. They are ordered to remove the insanitary cause of annoyance under pain of 20/- each.

53.—Heap of Refuse in the Town Ditch near the Pound

to be removed by the inhabitants Above Bar.

54.—Arthur Pitts to rebuild his Garden Wall.

"Itm we p^resent that Arthur pytts gardeyne wall is very ruynous & fallen downe in emerye laks gardeyne to his great annoye, wherfor be yt comaundid to the said arthur pytt to make vpp the same on this side myghellmas next vppon payne of 6/8."

55.—Storve's Garden Hedge is a nuisance to the Highway.

Therefore let him amend it before Whit Sunday upon pain of 1/-.

56.—Arnold Clark to remove Refuse from his Back Gate

under penalty of 6/8. (Cf. 1574, § 45).

57.—Heap of Refuse near Alum Cellar

to be removed. (Cf. 1574, § 9, and 1577, § 65).

58.—Thomas Addison to cleanse a Gutter near the Salt House.

"Itm we p^resent that Thom^s addyson hath a gutter at the salt howse by the west keye w^{ch} is very noysome, wherfor be yt comaunded hym to amend the same vpon payne of a fyve shillings by whytsondaye next comynge."

59.—John Barton's Slaughter House and Hog Sties.

"Itm we p^resent that george bartōns gardeyne by bedells gate is very noysome by reasone of his slawter howse & his hoggs that he kepeth ther, wherfor be yt comaundid him to amende the same by trynytye sondaye next vpon payne of a 10/-."

60.—The Bells of the Town to be rung as usual.

"Itm we p^resent that the cheyme [chime] doth not gooe w^{ch} is a very comfortable hearing to all the inhabytants wherfor we desire yo' wo'shipps to cause the same to be amendid." (Cf. 1577, § 29).

61.—Sanitary Matters at the Town Hall

to be attended to by the steward.

62.—Mr. White's House to be Repaired.

"Itm we p^resent that M^r. whyts howse next to the brode lane corn^r is much in decaye, w^{ch} being in the high streate is verye vnsemelye & a great defacing to the towne wherof we praye redresse to be made & that he may be constrayned according to thorder of the towne to buyld ther." (Cf. 1576, § 41).

63.—Another Noisome Hole in Gosling Lane.

"Item we p^resent that ther is a great wholle diggid by the heyghe waye at gosling lane end w^{ch} is very noysom & as we arre informid yt hath byne suche as doth vse to sell gravyll in the towne, wherof we praye redres & that comandement be geven to them to amend the same out of hande vppon payne of 5/-." (Cf. 1574, § 56; 1575, § 35; and 1576, § 19).

64.—Gutters on East Side of High Street.

"Item we p^resent that all the gutters that comyth out of the housses on theast of the highe streat into the towne dytches is greatly in decay except Mr. Crooks & Mr. Caplins wherfor be yt comaundid vnto them that hath the same gutters to amend the same out of hand for that it is a great decay to the towne walls vppon payne of 10/- a pece." (Cf. 1576, § 32).

65.—Mr. Alp's Tenements unrepaired.

Presentment similar to 1573, § 47. Mr. Alpe has done nothing although the matter has been "dyvers tymes" presented. Hence he is fined 33/4, and is threatened with a fine of 40/- if he has not obeyed by next Bartholomew tide. (Cf. 1574, § 33).

66.—Lists of Tipplers and Undertenants

presented by Bedells.

67.—False Weights and Measures.

Thirty persons fined sums varying from 2d. to 30/-.

68.—Stephen Bartle's Mother does not come to Church.

"Itm we p^resent that stiven barties mother being contynuallye & making her alonely abode w^hin this towne doth not come to the churche as every well dysposed p^reson ought to do & contrary to thorders of this Realm w^{ch} we praye maye be throughly considered of."

69.—House of Evil Rule.

"Itm. we p^resent that hughe booker keypyth typpelyng w^hout lycence & is vehemently suspected to kepe a howse of evill rule wherof we praye redresse." (Cf. 1574, § 72).

70.—Unlawful Games at John Symonds' House.

"Itm we p^resent that John Symonds hath resort of mens s^rvants to his howse wher they play at vnlawfull games for money w^{ch} we praye may be reformed & that he hath hadd them dyssing [dicing] ther allnight." (Cf. 1574, § 72, and 1576, § 69).

71.—Richard Slyde's Wall to be repaired.

"Item we p^resent that the wall of Rychard Slydes house bounding vpon m^r harrys gardeine is lyk to fall downe & the backe loffe [? loft] w^{ch} may much annoye the said M^r harrys, be yt comaunded to such as ought to amende the same betwene this & the feaste of St. barthelmew to see yt don vpon the payne of 10/-"

72.—James Hellyer's Wall to be repaired.

"Itm we p^resent that Jeames hellyars wall bounding vpon M^r harrys gardeyne is in decaye & lyeth open towards the gardeyne to the annoyance of the said m^r harrys, be yt comaunded to the said Jeames hellyar to amend the same on thissyde mydsom^{er} next vpon peyne of 10/-"

73.—Streets and Lanes polluted by French people.

"Itm. we p^resent that the streats & lanes ar very fylthye by reasen of the french people & others that defyle the same by night contrary to the good orders of this towne in that behalfe appoynted w^{ch} we pray yo^r wo^rshippes may be considered of."

74.—Alleged secret Burial of a Child.

"Item we p^resent that yt is credyblye enformed by div^{er}s wthin this towne of Southmpton that sythens the 10th of Aprill last past ther was a childe borne of the bodye of the wyffe of John Goddard & was fownde deade & so was buryd secretlye the w^{ch} we desyre yo^r worshipps may be farther enquired of."

75.—Encroachments on Town Ground.

"Item we p^resent that John symons, James hellyar & John parker hath Incrochid vppon the towns ground contrary to all Justice wherof we praye Redres." (Cf. 1576, § 73).

76.—Unlawful Games kept by John Clenerley.

"Item we p^resent that John clenerley who contrary to the comandements doth contynally kepe typling & besides that vsethe vnlawfull games viz. at a playe kepeing callyd nyne holls¹ at the w^{ch} mens servants hathe played, wherfor he hath forfeitid according to the statut 40/- for ev^{er}y daye of keping the same vnlawfull games & keping typling for ev^{er}y daye in Leeke sort 40/- wherof we praye redres."

77.—John Hoskins's Encroachments resisted.

"Item we present that wheras according to Right & Justice & in the Right of the towne w^{ch} we arre all by othe bound to mayntayne we have pullid downe a hedge & dytche set wth quick sette & wythes [willows] for tyme p^{er}petuall, of a plot of grounde w^{ch} thomas hoskins hath most vnjustly Incrochid vppon the comon of this towne w^{ch} yf yt shuld be sufferid yt wold not ondy be a vtter decaye of the heyghe wayes ther adioyning, but allso of a very good plot of ground in leek sort thervnto adjoyning in making the same ponde as for exsample the Leeke a lyttell above the same hath byn don notwthstanding hoskins wyffe greatly being offended therwth hath not Lett ondy to speak evill of vs but openly declaryd one maye daye in the presens of div^{er}s others that when her husbond came home, yt shuld be sett vppe agayne in dispit of vs all being the 12 w^{ch} yf yt shuld so be sufferid yt wold not only be occasion of others to presume the Leek, but allso bring the same or p^{ar}te of the said comon by p^rescription in gession w^{ch} we praye in no wysse maye be sufferyd." (Cf. 1575, § 44, and 1577, § 19).

¹ Nine Holes—a game in which there were nine holes in a board or the ground, into which a ball was rolled.

78.—Unlicensed Tipplers and Letters of Lodgings.

"Item we p^resent that vinsent Raynold cobler kepyth typling vnlyssensed & Lodgyth his cuntrymen wherfore he hath for^{td} 40/-."

79.—More Unlicensed Tipplers.

"Item we farther present that John Robynson, thomas moor & mother browne doth kepe typling wthout Lyssens accordinge to the statut, wherfor they & ev^{er}y of them hath for. 40/- for ev^{er}y daye so offending."

80.—Another Unlicensed Tippler.

"Item we present that one nicolas Johauns in Leeke sorte dothe kepe typling wthout Lyssens contrary to the statut wherefore in Leek sort he hath forfeitid 40/- for every daye."

81.—Thomas Fawen, an Evil Person, to be dealt with.

"Item we p^resent that thomas Fawen is a very Loytering p^rson & Lyveth very ydelly to the most evill exsample of others & is thought to be as a comon bawde & gettyth his Lyving most by suche evill means & suche Evill members wer very fytt to be banishid the towne or to be Employed otherwyse from his most vicious Evill & detestable lyffe, wherof we desire redres."

82.—Another Evil Person in Ricket's House.

"Item we present that ther is a loytering fellowe Remayning in the howsse of one Rycket in the p^rishe of st. mychaels w^{ch} Lyveth very ydelly."

83.—Richard Fuller keeps a Cow and a Hog in his House.

"Item we p^resent that Richard fuller typler kepyth in his howsse a cowe & a hoge contrary to the order of the towne wherof we praye redres for that yt is to the anoyans of his neyghbours."

84.—Taverners to bake Great Loaves only.

"Be yt comaundid vnto all the Inholders & taverners wthin this town not to bake cakes nor any whit bread other then great Loves, in ther howsse vppon payne of 10/- a pece."

85.—The Brewers charge too much for Beer.

"Item we present that whereas the pryse of maulte is fawllen yt notwthstanding the brewers kepyth the pryse of bere at 2/- the barrell, w^{ch} is excessive & considering the pryse of maulte & hopps wherof we pray redres."

86.—Fishmongers to move from High Street to the Fish Market.

"Item we present that those fyshmongers w^{ch} dothe water fyshe in the heyghe streat dothe verye much Anoye the same streat wth very unholosome smells w^{ch} is very dayngerus to Lewd [common or general] Sycknes this hott somer, for Redres wherof yt maye please yo^r worshipps to appoynt the same fyshe mongers to kepe ther fyshe stalls at the fyshe market in saynt mychaells p^{ar}ishe, wher is not ondy a well for watering ther fyshe but allso a very fyt place for that porpose the p^{ar}misses [foregoing remarks] consideryd we praye therof Redres." (Cf. 1577, § 105).

87.—The Cowherd's unlawful Enclosure of Common.

"Item we present that the caward wthout Lyssens hath Inclossid the plotte of grounde in the comon where the bryke howsee Latte [lately] stoude and the same doth kepe to his only comoditie [use or enjoyment] contrary to the orders of the towne. Be yt comandid vnto the said caward presently to pulle vpe the hedge & dytche there vppon payne of 40/- & we praye that he maye be punyshid for his presumption therin to thexample of all others."

88.—The Overcharging of the Common.

The rules laid down for the Common (for which see 1566, § § 19-28) have been broken by various persons, as follows:—

NAME.	BEASTS PUT ON COMMON.	FINE.
(1) Peter Quayte ...	... A bay gelding, a mare, and a cow ...	... 3/4
(2) John Sedgwick ...	... A white mare, a bay gelding, two bullocks and a white cow ...	... 3/4
(3) Bonaventure Major & Richard Hoskins ...	Two horses each and one cow between them ...	3/4 each
(4) Walter Hutchins ...	Two horses and a cow ...	3/4

NAME.	BEASTS PUT ON COMMON.	FINE.
(5) John Eliot ...	... A mare, a colt, and a cow...	1/-
(6) Peter Janverin ...	... Three cows ...	3/4
(7) John Edmunds ...	... Two mares and two cows...	6/8
(8) Richard Dowse ...	... Two kine, a mare, and a horse ...	2/0
(9) Robert Smith ...	... Two kine, a mare, and a colt ...	2/0
(10) William Fox ...	... Two horses and a cow ...	3/4
(11) John Riggs ...	... Three kine... ...	3/4

(Cf. 1576, § 52).

89.—Rules for the Coopers concerning Barrells.

"Be yt comaundid vnto all the cowpers of this towne not to make any barrells callid humber barrells, kilderkyns or virkins to be sold to the breuers of this towne of any Lesser assyes [sizes] then the towne gayge w^{ch} is vnto them deliverid vppon payne of for: of those barrells founde to Lyttill & 6/8 a pece for every tyme offending therin." (Cf. 1574, § 66).

90.—Rules for the Pewterers concerning Pots.

"In Leke sort be yt comaundid to the pewterers to make all ther wyne mesures according to the standerd vppon the Leek payne."

91.—Heap of Refuse in the Ditch near East Gate.

To be removed, and orders to be given that none "throwe ther fylthe under the bridge ther." (Cf. 1576, § 33).



A.D. 1576.

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Title: Cotthorn: Curia legalis dominæ reginæ tenta (apud)¹ Cotthorne prædictam pro villa et comitate Southamptonæ coram Roberto Knaplocke majore dictæ (villæ)¹ ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem pro termino post Hocketwesdaie secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, ffranciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc decimo octavo.²

Mayor (1575-76) : Robert Knaplock.

Jurors:

John Ayles	Richard Etner	Thomas Wadlowe
John Jackson	John Elzey	Alixander Peinton
Richard Biston	John à Deane	Andrew Harrys
William Singleton	Thomas Demercke	Richard Waterton
Richard Goddard		

Free Suitors:

The Prior of God's House	Gerard Marrin
The Warden of Winchester College	Heirs of Richard Hawkins
The Presentator of St. Mary's	William Capelin
Edward White	Heirs of Walter Baker
George Pawlett	„ Henry Huttofte
Richard Knight	—— Banester ³
John Capelin	Richard Goddard
John Croke	Reginald Howsse
Nicholas Capelin	Heirs of Lawrence Sendie
William Staveley	„ Thomas Fleming
Heirs of Edward Wilmot	Barnard Courtmill
(inf. aet.)	Richard Daye
John Gregory	Andrew Studley
Heirs of George Milles	Wardens of S. Lawrence's
„ Thomas Mille	John Aylles
Thomas fflashin	Hugo Darvall
Thomas Chaffin	Heirs of John Comerland
	„ Thomas Fuller

¹ MS. torn.

² For translation cf. 1566. Hock Tuesday was May 8th, and the Court Day, May 15th, 1576.

³ The word "herodes" (heirs) written as in previous years, but crossed out.

Free Suitors—continued.

Heirs of Richard Eston (inf. aet.)	Robert Knaplocke
Richard Baylie	Peter Janverin
Heirs of Thomas Casbarde	Lawrence Williams
„ John Brigart alias Vovert	Richard Etner
„ Roger Delacourt	John Favor
John Bullicar	Mathews Manhalt
William Nutshawe	Henry Masey
Thomas Weldon	Lawrence Groce
James Eling	Denis Rowse
	Thomas Graunt
	John Simons

NOTE.—Of these fifty-four Free Suitors thirty are dotted (·) as present. There is a subsequent list of fifteen who are fined 3d. each for making default. Thus nine are neither marked as present nor fined as absent.

“STALL AND ART” LISTS.

PARISH OR WARD.	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—“Hollie Roodes”	56 ...	From 2d. to 6/8...	£3 . 1 . 8
II.—“St. Laurence”	20 ...	„ 2d. „ 5/-...	£1 . 4 . 10
III.—“All Saincts within the Barr”	40 ...	„ 2d. „ 3/-...	£1 . 8 . 0
IV.—“All Saincts without the Barr”	49 ...	„ 2d. „ 5/-...	£1 . 6 . 0
V.—“Bag, Rewe and East Streets”	24 ...	„ 2d. „ 1/4...	£0 . 8 . 6
VI.—“St. Mighels and St. Jonnes”	126 ...	„ 2d. „ 20/-...	£6 . 19 . 10
	<u>315</u>		<u>£14 . 8 . 10</u>

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—The Salt House.**

Practically identical with 1573, § 1. (Cf. 1575, § 1, and 1577, § 1).

2.—The Butts to be repaired.

Practically identical with 1573, § 2. (Cf. 1575, § 2).

3.—The Butchers for killing Calves.

Practically identical with 1575, § 4, except that the name of Henry Andros is omitted. (Cf. 1577, § 3).

4.—The Butchers for killing Cattle within the Town.

Identical with 1575, § 5. (Cf. 1577, § 71).

5.—The Brewers to provide Filling Beer.

Practically identical with 1574, § 17. (Cf. 1575, § 10, and 1577, § 2).

6.—Ditches Above Bar and in Houndwell to be scoured.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the dytches at the gardens ends leadinge from above the barre to and in hondwell arre fyllid wth fylthe & encombred wth Carion to the greate annoyannce of the queenes liege people, whearefor we dess^{re} the same may be escourid and from hence foorthe kept cleane as yt ought to be vpon payne of 5/- for ev^{er}y one that shalbe found faultie in the same." (Cf. 1575, § § 12 and 13).

7.—Heap of Refuse near Mr. Mayor's Garden in East Street.

"Item we p^{re}sent that theare ys a greate heape of soyle & roobidge befor Mr. mayor his gardin in the east streate w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be hade away and amendid vppon payne of 2/-"

8.—Bouney in the East Street.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the bonney leadinge from Richard Rashefordes allias nortons doore to the dytche late Cornelis poindexter ys stopped in suche sort that the wat^{er} cann not have his course w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be Redressed and amendid by those to whome yt doothe or may ap^{er}tayne on this syde bartelmewe day next vppon payne of 3/4." (Cf. 1573, § 34, and 1577, § 4).

9.—Cornelius Poindexter's Ditch and Bouney.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the dytche late Cornelis poindexter by his ground ys not skowrid as yt ought to be whearefore be yt comandid vnto the widowe of the said cornelys or to whome yt doothe or may ap^{er}tayne to Ridd & escowre the same & to make a bouney to carie the wat^{er} out of the said ditche into Mr. lambert's ditche on this syde the feast of Saincte barthelmewe next vppon payne of 5/-." (Cf. 1577, §§ 5 and 9).

10.—Mr. Lambert's Rails, Road, and Ditches still not repaired.

Practically identical with 1573, § 3. Penalty of £4 forfeited. To be done by Michaelmas on pain of £6. (Cf. 1575, § 3, and 1577, §§ 8 and 59).

11.—The Itchin Causeway to be repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the Causey leadinge from the Chappell to the slusse by the sea syde ys muche decayed & very needeful to be amendid wth we dess^{re} may be lookid vnto and amendid wth as convenient speede as may be." (Cf. 1571, § 7, and 1577, § 45).

12.—The Brewers not to dig Clay in Saltmarsh.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the salt m^{rs}he ys greatlie spoylid and decayed by Reason of digging of clay by the bruers of this towne & also by reason of the digginge of hoggs w^{ch} ys not to be sufferid whearefore we dess^{re} Redresse of the same and the said bruers have forfeighted for ev^{er}y tyme offendinge 5/- and be yt comaunded vnto ev^{er}y of them not to digg theare eny more vppon pain of 10/- for ev^{er}y tyme so offendinge." (Cf. 1575, § 15, and 1577, § 50).

13.—God's House Green injured by John Favor.

"Item we p^{re}sent That John favor hathe diggid in gods house green and laide his Rubidge and other soyle of his g^{ar}den vpon the grasse theare to the greate noyance of the place and destroyenge of the pasture and grasse growinge whearefore he ys to be am^{er}sed in 2/6 and be yt funder comaunded to him to dygg theare no more vppon payne of 10/." (Cf. 1577, § 53).

14.—Highway from Canshot to Western Shore in decay.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the dytche and the highe way leadinge downe from caneshut lane to the seasyde ys muche decayed in div^{er}s places in suche sort that yff speedie Redresse theareof be not had the carts will not be able to passe that way in the wint^{er} tyme wheareof we dess^{re} Redresse."

15.—The Bouney beyond Canshot still not repaired.

The order of 1575, § 18, not obeyed. Hence forfeiture of 20/-. A similar penalty if not done by Bartholomew tide next. (Cf. 1577, § 12).

16.—The Watering Place towards Hill to be cleansed.

"Item we p^resent that the wat^{er}ing place goinge to hill beeing a verie good & holsom wat^{er} & verie nessessarie for o^r cattell to Drinke in ys not Ridd & kept cleane as yt should be w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be lookid vnto & amendid." (Cf. 1577, § 14).

17.—The Dangerous Hole and Defective Ditch in Gosling Lane.

"Item we p^resent that the dytche downe gosseling lane ys not Ridd and kept cleane as it ought to be in suche sort as the wat^{er} w^{ch} should have his coursse breakithe out into the highe way w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be amendid and be yt Comanded vnto him to whome the close ap^rteynithe on the northe syde of the saide gosseling lane that he doo turne & convay the said wat^{er} into the said close as yt hathe bin heeretofore tyme out of minde in suche substancy all sort [? also] as the said wat^{er} breake not out into the highe way but come directlie to Ackorne bridge & that yt be donne by mighlmas next vppon payne of 20' and for deffault of the mending of the same w^{ch} was appointid to have byn done by midsomer last, they that ought to have doone yt have forfeight 13/4." (Cf. 1575, § 35, and 1577, § 16).

18.—Conduit Heads decayed.

Practically identical with 1573, § 16. (Cf. 1575, § 21, and 1577, § 15).

19.—Hole in Gosling Lane.

"It. we p^resent that in the vpper end of gosseling lane ov^{er} agaynst hoskins lane theare hathe byn a greate hole diggid ffor gravell, w^{ch} is verye dangerous for o^r cattell for fallinge in the same, w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be lookid vnto & fyllid vp ageyne." (Cf. 1575, § 63, and 1577, § 17).

20.—Highways and Ditches, Above Bar.

Practically identical with 1575, § 24, but penalty to be increased to 13/4.

21.—Rockstone Lane in decay.

"Item we p^resent that the bouneys in Rogsden lane arre fownderid & souncken downe into the grownde so as the wat^{er} canne not have his free course as yt ought to have by Reason wheareof the wat^{er} standith theare & founderithe the grownde,

whearefore be yt Comaundid vnto those to whome yt doothe ap^{er}tayne to take vpp the said bouneys & to clense & laye them in suche sort as the wat^{er} may have his courant freelie downe the dytche as yt ought to have by barthelmewe day next vppon payne of 6/8." (Cf. 1575, § 46, and 1577, §§ 21 and 22).

22.—The Hiring of Horses.

"It. we thincke yt most best & nessessarie for the vsse & good s^{er}vice of the Inhabitants of this toune & others traveylinge hither that ev^{er}y man wthin this towne & countie that will, shall & may lett & put foorth the horssees to hier at his & theire pleasures to eny that will have horssees to hier so that the said horsse hieirers nor eny of them shall not take for a Journey of eight dayes or lesse from hence to london or bristoll aboove 6/8, & for ev^{er}y day after the saide 8 dayes expierid so that the said horsse be not labourid not aboove 8 pence by the day. And for eny other Journey farre or nighe not aboove 10d. by the day. Provyded alway that whoso^{ever} shall kepe eny hackeney or hieird horsse shall keepe none but suche as arre & shalbe s^{er}viceable & suer & stronge to carie a man in his Journey. And also that no such hackney men or horsse hieirs shall Refuse to hier & lett foorth theire horssees to s^{er}ve for all Journeys vppon payne for ev^{er}y tyme so refusinge to forfeight & pay 10/- the one halffe to the tounes vsse, & thother halffe to the vsse of the poore of the p^{ar}ishe wheare eny suche offender dwellithe." (Cf. 1576, § 72, and 1577, § 81).

23.—Richard Rosse's Slaughter House and Sink.

"Item we p^{re}sent that Richard Rosse the boucher doth kepe a slawter howse in his backe side contrary to the statute & hath a very fylthie sincke vnclensid contrary to the comaundement geven to him the last yeare & therfor he hath forfeyte his payne wth is 40/- be yt comaundid to him to redresse the same on this side the feaste of S^t barthelmew next vpon paine of £4." (Cf. 1575, § 27, and 1577, § 26).

24.—Heap of Refuse made by Martin Bowes

under the Castle wall near the Butts to be removed before Trinity Sunday under pain of 5/-.

25.—The Depositing of Rubbish in the Castle Green.

"Item we p^{re}sent that Mrs. howse, W^m. ffox & p^{ar}ker the smyth hath laid ther garden dust in the castel grene wthout

ther gardeyn dores, be yt lykewyse comaundid to them to amende the same on thisside trynitie Sondaye next vpon payne of 5/- a peec." (Cf. 1569, § 55).

26.—The Wall near the Lime Kiln in decay.

Identical with 1574, § 55. (Cf. also 1575, § 34).

27.—John Symons to raise his Chimney.

"Be yt comaundid to John symond to bylde hys newe chimeney wth (he) hathe made for his brewe house fower foots hier wth brick for that yt ys muche needefull & verie dangerous bothe for his owne house & also for his neighbours houses by midsom^{er} next vppon payne of 20/-."

28.—John Symons to make Two Stiles.

"Be yt comaunded vnto the saide John symonds to make 2 styles in the olde comon pathe way leadinge from the geordge towards the sea syde on this syde the feast of midsomer next vppon payne off 6/8." (Cf. 1577, § 60).

29.—Refuse in Town Wall Tower

behind John Sedgwick's house to be removed under pain of 10/-. (Cf. 1577, § 38).

30.—The Rails of the Watch Tower Steps not yet Repaired.

Practically identical with 1574, § 43. (Cf. also 1575, § 28).

31.—Heap of Refuse near God's House Gate

to be removed by Mr. Trencher.

32.—Gutters on East Side of High Street.

Similar to 1575, § 64, with the addition "and further be yt comaunded vnto ev^{er}y of them to Repayre & amend the same wth as muche speede as may be by michaelmas next, for that yt ys a greate decay to the towne walles vppon payne of 20/- a pece." (Cf. 1577, § 52).

33.—Heap of Refuse in the Ditch near East Gate.

Similar to 1575, § 91. (Cf. 1577, § 74).

34.—The Watch.

Presentment similar to 1574, § 47, with the addition—
 “whearefore as we have heeretofore often & dyv^{ers} tymes
 Requested that ev^{er}y householder under suche degre as yo^r
 worships shall thincke best of should watche in prop^{er} p^{er}son or
 at the least p^{ro}vide a good honest & able watcheman for the
 more suertie & save garde of the towne.” (Cf. also 1575, § 30,
 and 1577, § 29).

35.—The Lane from East Gate to God's House.

Practically identical with 1574, § 12.

36.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Salt Marsh.

Presentment similar to 1574, § 48. (Cf. also 1575, § 31, and
 1577, § 49).

37.—A Bouney in St. Mary's Lane to be made.

“Item we p^{re}sent that at the style leadinge from east
 magdalen fields ov^{er} st. maries lane goinge towards st. denys or
 bevis hill theare wantithe a bonney w^{ch} was paynid the last
 lawe day to be made in 5/- w^{ch} is forfeight, for lack wheareof
 the wat^{er} breakithe out into the highway not onelie to the
 annoyaunce of those that travel that way but also to the
 founderinge of the said highe way, whearefore be yt comaunded
 vnto him that holdithe the said grounde to mak a bouney
 theare by midsomer next vppon payne of 3/4.” (Cf. 1575, § 47,
 and 1577, § 23).

38.—A Bouney to be made near St. Mary's by Mr. John Caplin.

Practically identical with 1575, § 49. Penalty of 10/- forfeited.
 Next penalty to be 13/4. (Cf. 1577, § 46).

39.—Highways and Ditches from St. Mary's to Chapel.

“Itm. we p^{re}sent that for want of Riddinge & clensing of
 Mr. John Capelin's dytche on the northe syde of the highe way
 leadinge from St. Maries to the bayliffs booth at the east end of
 the said dytche, & for want of Raylinge the ground theare wth
 a bouney or sluse the sea wat^{er} breakithe in & overflow^{eth} the
 said highe way to the greate annoyannce of those that travaile
 that way, at cheeffelie about o^r fayer tyme,¹ whearefore be yt

¹ Chapel Fair was held on Trinity Sunday and the three following days. Cf. Davies's Southampton, p. 280.

comaunded vnto him or vnto those that holde and enioye the said ground to repayre & amend the same by midsomer next vpon payne of 13/4." (Cf. 1577, §§ 45 and 47).

40.—Mr. John Caplin's House.

Presentment practically identical with 1573, § 21. Once again the matter is "to be considered of." (Cf. 1575, § 50, and 1577, § 40).

41.—Mr. White's House to be Repaired.

Presentment similar to 1575, § 62, with the addition—"for we thincke yt to be fallen in to the townes hands by proclamation w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be thought vpon & Redressed."

42.—The Ditch near St. Mary's Church to be Railed by Mr. Turner.

Mr. Turner has not obeyed the order of 1575, § 48. Therefore he is fined 5/- and is threatened with a fine of 10/-. (Cf. 1577, § 27).

43.—The Lane from Hoglands to St. Mary's overgrown.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the littell lane next to Mr. turn^{er} his garden leading from hogglan to St. maries litten [churchyard] ys so ov^{er} growen on bothe sydes that the people cannot passe throughe whearefore be yt Comaunded vnto him or to whom yt doothe ap^{er}teyne to cut the hedges on bothe sydes on this syde midsom^{er} next vpon payne of 20/- that the people maye passe that waye." (This may be the same lane as that referred to in 1574, § 13.)

44.—The Ditches near Padwell and Rockstone Lane.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto the ladie dawtrei or those w^{ch} holde the lands by padwell to Ridd and escower the ditches leadinge from padwell downe to Roggesden lane bouney so as the wat^{er} may have his free course that way by barthelmew day next vpon payne of 10/-." (Cf. 1575, § 22).

45.—Highway from Gobbin's Farm to be Repaired.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the highe way leadinge from gobbins farme¹ too willm butchers gate ys vnrepayred and in decay w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be repaired accordinge to the statute by bartelmewe day next vpon paine."

¹ Gobbin's Farm is sometimes called the Farm Above Bar.

46.—Stocks Above Bar.

"Item we p^resent that the warde of all saincts wthoute the barre ys vnp^rovided of a peire of stocks contrarie to the statute, whearfore be yt comaunded vnto them of that ward to provide & make a peire by St. James day next vppon paine provided in the statute." (Cf. 1571, § 8).

47.—The Cowherd to account for a Missing Bullock.

"Itm we p^resent that theare was found vppon o^r comon a straied steere boollocke w^{ch} nowe ys lost or other wize conveyed away by the cowherd w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be comoned [enquired] of for that we doubt the said cowherd to be culpable of the same, for that he sayethe he put the said steere into houndwell ov^{er} night havinge the stagers & the nex morninge (it) was gone, w^{ch} we thinke not like to be for that a staggering & gyddie beast cannot straye farre, whearefore we dess^{re} he may throughelie be examinid of the said & also of & towchinge an other bullocke w^{ch} he saiethe was solde to willm fev^{er}ell."

48.—The Diverting of a Watercourse near Padwell.

"Item we p^resent that the wat^{er} from padwell Corn^{er} neere to willm butcher's grounde ought to be conveyed alongest the hedge of the said willm fev^{er}ell as yt hathe byn for 30 yeeres by the report of Dym^{er} the bricke burn^{er}, whearefore be yt comaunded vnto those to whom yt doothe ap^{er}teyne to turne the said wat^{er} alongest the ground in the heathe and not to come alongest the heighe way eny more on this syde of barthelmewe day next vppon payne of 40/-." (Cf. 1577, § 18).

49.—The Brickmaker to fill up his Claypits.

"Be yt Comanded vnto willm dym^{er} the bricke maker to levell vpp the holles & pytts w^{ch} he hathe digged for clay for his bricke wth bricke batts or other things on this syde barthelmewe day next vppon paine of 6/8 & to laye his bricke bats in the waye from foxis corn^{er} hedge vnto the way towards baddesley." (Cf. 1574, § 15, and 1577, § 28).

50.—The Digging of Clay on the Common.

"Be yt comaunded vnto willm fox & other that doo vsse to digg & fett clay in the heathe for the vsse of the Inhabitants of the towne to digg no more theare onles they levell & fill vpp the ground ageyne vpon paine of 5/- & to bring for ev^{er}y lode of clay

to carry a lode of soylle. And for redress of that w^{ch} ys past we thincke yt good that yo^r worships appoint 2 ov^{er}seers to see that mended & to cause men theire s^{er}vaunts of the towne & others to helpe to level the same & also to ditche the cawsey from padwell to gyddie bridge wheareby the said cawsey may the better be kept & mayntaynid & that the hills w^{ch} be in the heathe may be cast abroad to levell the grounde theare."

51.—Lists of Tiplers and Undertenants
presented by Bedells.

52.—The Overcharging of the Common.

The Cowherd, John à Deane, gives a list of those who have overcharged the Common. There are fourteen people presented. Their offences are similar to those enumerated 1575, § 88, and 1577, § 52.

53.—Cutting Turf at Padwell Cross.

"Itm we p^{re}sented that Sammsome thom's hath digged turfes in the Comon nere John a garnezeys crosse, wherfor he is to be am^{er}sided for the spoyle he hath made 3/4." (Cf. 1574, § 25).

54.—Cutting Turf on the Common.

"Itm we p^{re}sented that parsivale nayler hath digged turves in the Comon w^{ch} yf he or others by his example should comonlye vse yt will greatlye spoyle the comon w^{ch} we thincke vnmete to be sufferyd, wherfor he is to be am^{er}sided 2/-."

55.—Unlawful Games at the King's Orchard.

"Itm we p^{re}sented that at the King's orchard w^{ch} Nicholas Borye dothe kepe ther is comon playing at bowles, kyttells [skittles], cards & dyse & resort of such as ar much vnfytt for to maynteyne the said playes for bowling." Then follows a list of names. (Cf. 1577, § 109).

56.—Nicholas Berry sells Beer too cheap.

"Itm we p^{re}sented that the said nicholas borye doth sell beere the wyne quarte full for a 1d., w^{ch} we thinke not to be suffeired, whearefor he ys to be am^{er}ced 2/-, and be yt comaunded vnto him to sell no more beere but by the accustomed mes^{ure} & standerd of this towne vppon payne of 6/8." (Cf. 1577, § 110).

87.—The Watercourse near the Tin House stopped up.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the wat^{er} cominge from phelipp Carteret's house w^{ch} was accostomed tyme out of mynde to have his free course from the said house throughe the ground adjoyninge vnto the tynne house w^{ch} ground James webb nowe holdithe & hath stopped the course of the saide wat^{er} by Reason wheareof the said wat^{er} sokithe throughe the stone wall of the saide tynne house w^{ch} ys & wilbe to the vtt^{er} spoile & decay of the said wall, whearefore be yt comaunded vnto the said James webbe to suffer the said phelip Carteret to make his gutt^{er} & wat^{er} course accordinge as yt was accostomed vppon payne of 20/-, & that the said Cartaret mak the same by barthelmewe day next vppon payne of 20/-."

88.—Mrs. Edmunds to repair her Gutter.

"Be yt Comaundid to Mrs. Edmonds to Repaire & amend hyr gutter beetwixt hir house & mr. Dervall his house in the w^{ch} thomas lombard nowe dwellithe on this syde barthelmew day next vppon paine of 6/8." (Cf. 1577, § 96).

89.—Thomas Symonds to attend to Sanitary Matters upon pain of 5/-.**90.—Mrs. Pascal to remove a Pile of Wood.**

"Be it Comaunded to mrs. pascall to Remove hyr woode pile w^{ch} shee hathe piled ageinst the wall of the house of Thomas heywa'd, barber, in the w^{ch} mr. walleron p^{re}acher nowe dwellithe for that yt ys a greate hindraunce to his house & also she stoppithe his light w^{ch} is not to be sufferid, whearefore be yt comaundid hir to amend the same by midsom^{er} next vppon paine of 10/-."

91.—The Leads of the Town Hall to be repaired.

"Be yt comaunded vnto the towne steward, W^m Fox, to have the leads ov^{er} the towne hall & steares of the same to be amended for that yt Raineth in theare for lack of looking vnto w^{ch} we dess^{ire} may be looked vnto & redressed."

92.—The Clock of All Saints' Church to be repaired.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto the Churche wardens & other inhabitants of all saincts to have their clocke looked vnto & amendid for that yt ys out of the Rep^{ar}ations & not kept trewe

as yt ought to be, w^{ch} ys a greate discomoditie bothe for the dwellers heere and also for those that travaile alongest the said way w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be doone by trynitie sonday next vppon paine of . . .” (No amount is given, and a note is added “yt ys alredie doune”).

63.—Mr. Rock's Ditch in Houndwell.

“Be yt Comaunded vnto mr. Rocke or those to whome yt doothe ap^{er}tayne to levell & fyll vpp the ditche on the northe syde of his g^{ar}den in the house wheare he late dwelt above the barre w^{ch} he hathe encroched vppon the grounde of mr. Robt. moore in breadthe to the vallew of halffe a yarde in houndwell fylde on this syde the feast of st. mighell next cominge vppon payne of 20/-.” (Cf. 1577, § 89).

64.—Supervisors of Highways appointed.

“Item we p^{re}sent 8 sup^{er}viso's or ov^{er}seers for to see the amendme^{nt} & Rep^{ar}ations of the heighe waies about this toun & countie viz., whose names p^{ar}ticularlie followithe—

1. Holyrood : Thomas Turner & John le Favor.
2. S^t Michael & S^t Johns: Michael Knight & Nicholas Rocke.
3. S^t Lawrence : Walter Earle & Paul Eliot.
4. All Saints, Bagrow, & East S^t: Thomas Brooker & Thomas Hoskins.

Ffor Rep^{ar}ations off w^{ch} highe waies the sup^{er}visers have auctoritie to provide for gravell by the statute neere vnto the places wheare suche Rep^{ar}ations ys to be doone & to fill the same placis agayne if they digge in other mens grounds.” (Cf. 1577, § 95).

65.—The Glovers not to throw Refuse about.

“Be yt comaunded vnto the glov^{er}s in & about this towne from hence foorth the not to cut of the leggs or other powles [probably polls or heads], tayles, or shavings of eny shepe or calfes skines onlesse they & ev^{er}y of them doo provide p^{re}sent pitts to burie the same in for that fowles as crowes Ravens & suche lyke doo vsse to Carie the said leggs & suche other filthe in to mens gardens, gutters & such lyke places not onely to the greate noyaunce of the Inhabitants heer abouts but also to the breedinge of nòysom & vnholysom ayers w^{ch} wee dess^{re} may be looked vnto & that they offend not in the p^{re}misses vppon payne of forfeighting off 5/- a peece.”

66.—False Weights and Measures.

Thirty-five persons fined sums varying from 2d. to 40/-

67.—A Stray Heifer.

"Itm we p^{re}sent that heere ys a strayed heiffer of colle^r Redd found & taken vpp vppon o^r comon of thadge off 2 yeeres or theare abouts cropt on the neere eare & slytt on the funder eare w^{ch} hathe byn vppon o^r Comon fyve weecks or theare abouts w^{ch} remaynes in the townes hearde w^{ch} we doo judge worthe 26/8 & not p^{re}claymid to o^r knowledge." (Cf. 1575, § 37).

68.—The Cobblers use Bad Leather.

"It. we p^{re}sent that the Coblers of this towne Do vsse to mend & Cobble mens shewes wth naughtie slittinge lether w^{ch} is to the greate chardges of the Inhabitants of this towne for that yff they did vsse & occupie good & well taned lether yt wolde be to theire most proffyt & bett^{er} s^{er}vice w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be amendid, excepting sudgen the cobbler." (Cf. 1577, § 34).

69.—Evil Rule at John Symonds's House.

"It. we p^{re}sent that John symonds at the whit horse above the barre kepithe resort of lewed people bothe of men & also women & by comon fame of evell name & reporte & not to be sufferid in nor about this towne, for during this syttinge attempt hathe byn gyven vppon a gest [guest] called captayen bartelmew of that house w^{ch} was beeset wthin 3 or 4 myles out of this towne & waye layde by 5 footmen & liked to be Robbed w^{ch} gest Reportid to his Judgement & thinckinge the watche to have byn made in that house w^{ch} house was p^{re}sented the last yeere for like disorder w^{ch} ys not amended but growen to greater disorder & more liker a denne of whores & theves then a house of Civill gov^{er}nment, w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be throughely looked vnto & Consydered of." (Cf. 1575, § 70).

70.—Robert Crewe has deposited a Dead Horse on Saltmarsh.

"Item we p^{re}sent that Roberd Crewe hathe buried a deade mare of senderlands in one of the wat^{er} pytts in the salt m^{ar}she w^{ch} ys verie noysom And like to breede Infectyve ayre whearefore he ys to be amerced in 2/- & be it comaunded to hem to bury the same horse vnder the grounde wth convenyent spede."

71.—Excessive Charges for Carts and Horses made by the Brothers Netley.

"It. we p^resent that Adrian netley & his breethren doo vssurpe vppon the Comers vnto of this towne w^{ch} Cartes & horsse & that complaint ys made on them for takinge towle for timber that comithe in this towne w^{ch} we thincke more then Right & more then hathe byn accostomed, wheareby & suche like the towne ys much slaunderid & yll spoken of, also duringe this p^resent syttinge we sawe thomas netley pull down a sack of brann from a horse back w^{ch} we thought not well donne for the towle of the same, wheareof we dess^{re} redresse for defaminge of this towne."

72.—The Hiring of Horses by Thomas Netley.

"Itm we p^resent that Thomas netley duringe this p^resent syttinge hierid a horse to a frenche man for london w^{ch} was a tierid Jade & was not able to kepe compeny wth others for the w^{ch} he took 13/6 for the hier & yet the said frenche man was forced to hier another horse to london at gylford for that his horse was not able to carie him eny furer, whearefore he ys to be am^{er}sed in 6/8." (Cf. 1576, § 22).

73.—Encroachments on the Highways.

"Item we p^resent That Mr. white of southewicke, John symonds above the barr, James p^rmyt alias hellier in St. mighells p^rishe & mr. alpe in hollyrood p^rishe hathe encroched vppon the streats & John Jones ov^{er} ageinst the wollen hall in St. mighels p^rishe hathe also encroched wheareof we pray redresse, note also that John p^rcker smithe hathe donne the lyke & Mr. nicolas capelin in the brode lane and a porche at the same lane end of henrie gyles." (Cf. 1575, § 75).

74.—Defective Sink of Richard Rosse and others
annoys John Jackson and endangers his house.

75.—William Barwick's Weights and Scales.

His weights are all too light and his scales faulty. Hence he is fined 10/-.

76.—Divers Women wear Hats and not White Caps.

"Item we p^resent that dyv^{ers} women in this towne doo not weare whyte Cappes but hatts contrarie to the statute as yt may

appeere by the churchwardens theire p^{re}sentsments ev^{er}y weecke, as bones wiffe, paulle elliots wyffe, Robt Crosses wiff, & Lawrence Grosse's wiffe."

77.—Bread for the Communion.

"Item we p^{re}sents that Mr. stere, Mr. husse & Sir Thomas of St. migels do vsse to administer the Comunion wth waffer or singing breade¹ w^{ch} ys contrarie to the statutes & book off Comon prayer for yt ap^{er}ethe by the said books that for the advoydinge & takinge away of sup^{er}stition the Comunion ought to be admynisterid wth the fynest whyte breade that may be gotten & suche as ys vssuallie accostomed to be eaten at mens table." ²

78.—Pauper Alien to be expelled.

"Item we p^{re}sents that one William Dye vnderntenent to John netley dothe lyve Idelly & hathe no trade as we canne lerne howe he should mayntayne hymself his wief & child. And as we are enformed, he hathe 4 or 5 children in places from whence he came, whome he will bring shortly hyther yf he may be suffered here to remayne whome we desyer may be examyned & removed from hence according to the statute."

79.—Trading with Foreigners on the part of John Hooper.

"Item we p^{re}sents that John hoop^{er} doothe vsse to Receyve forrenniers goods as namely whitt wynes & sellithe the same vnto other forren^{er}s dwellinge abroad in the conterie w^{ch} accordinge to the freedom & custom off this towne should be forfeightid w^{ch} we dess^{re} to be comonid [enquired] of & order thearefore to be taken."

80.—Trading with Foreigners on the part of Philip Founden.

"Itm we p^{re}sents that Phelipp founden vssethe to bye canvas in the Lynnen hall & sellithe the same ageyne in th^e said hall to other forrenn^{er}s abroad in the counterie, also contrarie to the orders of this towne for that he ys no housholder neither payethe watche nor warde, w^{ch} ys not to be sufferid wheareof we dess^{re} to have Redresse."

¹ Singing Bread—the larger altar-bread used by the priest for the sacrifice of the Mass and for his own communion. It was so called from the service of song which accompanied its manufacture. Another and smaller kind of bread, called houseling-bread, was used for the communion of the people.—W. F. M.

² The clergymen mentioned above are :—

Thomas Stere : Rector of All Saints', 1562—(?) 1589.

Thomas Husse : Rector of St. Lawrence, 1567—81.

Sir Thomas Banester : Vicar of St. Michael, 1567—88.

81.—Trading with Men of Sark on the part of Philip Founden.

"Item we p^resent that the said Phellip founden vsethe to sell Canvas in the Lynnen hall beeing the goods of men off sarx w^{ch} ys not to be sufferid for that the graunt and lybertie of the m^rcket dayes was grauntid & allowed vnto the Inhabitants of the Isles of g^{er}nezey & Jersey onelie, w^{ch} we dess^{re} also may be Redressed, the chiffeste that he sellith for is for James nayler."

82.—The Hucksters Forestall Victuals.

"Item we p^resent that the hucsters dwellinge in this towne doo vse to bye breade, cheesse, egges and suche lyke victualls in the m^rket beefore thoure limittid & appoynted w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be Redressed, for that yt ys contrarie to the auntient costom of this towne, viz."—(here follows a list of nine names).

83.—The Rule concerning Ancient Lights.

"Item we p^resent that we canne not fynde but tyme out off mynde tha' hathe bynne an auntient costom w^{hin} this towne of Southampton that no auntient light hathe bynne nor ought to be dammyd vpp or damynished by the buylding off eny neighbo^r thearevnto next adioyninge except yt be by Compossission beetwixt the sayde p^{ar}ties." (Cf. 1577, §§ 82 and 86).

84.—The Vintners to use the Standard Measures of the Town.

"Item we p^resent that the auntient costom of this towne off southampton tyme out of mynde hathe bynne that the vinten^{rs} of this towne hathe vsed & accostomed to sell their wyne by measures agreeinge to the standers & brasen mesures nowe Remayninge in the Audyt house, and by no lessor measures vntill now of late." (Cf. 1577, § 87).

85.—Denis Rowse to compensate Thomas Day for ancient light, &c.

"Item we p^resent that one Denys Rouse m^{er}chant hathe—bye building off his newe housse heigher then ev^{er} yt was—taken away & Dammed vpp the Cheefe & auntient light of the hall of one Thomas Day taylo^r to the greate anoyance of the said thomas Day, contrarie to the olde & auntient costom of this towne, whearefore be yt comaunded vnto the said Denys Rouse to Restore to the said thomas Day his forsaide auntient & Cheffe hall light or otherwyze to compound wth him for the same, & be yt furder comaundid vnto the said Denys Rouse to amend &

Repayre the walles & housse of the said Day wth he hathe broken & endamadged by buildinge of hys said newe house on this syde the feast of St. James thappestell next vppon payne of £5." (Cf. 1577, § 85).

86.—The Measures of the Vintners to be gauged and sealed.

"Be yt comaundid vnto all the vinten^{ers} and tav^{erners} wthin this towne & countie of southampton from hence foorth not to sell eny wyne by any other mesures then by suche as arre sealid and gadgid by the auntient standers of this towne vppon payne off forfeightinge for ev^{ery} suche pott so founde greate or small in eny of theire houses the offendo^{rs} theirein to pay £10, wheareof the one halffe to be to the taker & the other halffe to the vsse of the towne."

87.—Stephen Bartewe to repair a Wall

which endangers M^r Alpe's House. (Cf. 1577, § 36).

88.—Brewers of Double Beer.

"Item we present that thease p^{ar}ties followinge doo sell double beere contrarie to order and comaundment as followth." Twelve persons are named. The fine (apparently 6/8) was imposed on the brewer of the double beer, who in six of the twelve cases was one Sampson Thomas.

89.—A Cucking Stool to be set up.

"Item we p^{re}sent that ther wantith in this towne a Cocking stolle for the punishement of harlots w^{ch} is very necessarie to be sett vppe wherof we praye redresse & that yt maye be set vppon the towne dytches wher yt hath heretofore accustomed to be sett." (Cf. 1577, § 106).

90.—Apparell of the Mayor, Aldermen, etc.

"The apparell in tymes past used comenlie to be worne by the maiors, aldermen, shreffes, and baylifes, and there wyves within the Towne of Suthampton, particularly followethe confessyd by Mr. John Gregory, alderman, and William Maister, the Towne Stewarde, eyther of them of thage of lxxv. at the lest.

APPARELL OF THE MAIOR AND ALDERMEN.—A gowne of skarlett furred wth martirnes¹ or foynes² for the wynter, and faced with satten damaske or uther the lyke silke being blacke or russett collar for the summer.

¹ Fur of the martin.

² Polecat's skin fur.

A tippett of velvett worne upon the same gowne.

A gowne of vyolett in grayne¹ faced or furred w^t the like fures and the like silke, and other gownes of fyne clothe garded [adorned, trimmed] withe velvet and faced with silke.

A jackett or coote of velvett, damaske satten, chamlett [camlet] or wustede w^t a welt or garde of velvett.

A dublett sleved w^t velvett, satten damaske, or suche like silke with buttons of sylver.

Hosse of fine puke² or skarlett w^t garters of silke.

Crest cappes withe broade silke lase about them.

Short gownes of fyne clothe.

Hattes of velvet and silke throme.³

Ringes of gold of dyvers waightes, some of more and some of lesse waight.

THE APPARRELL OF THE MERES AND ALDERMEN'S WIEFES.—Trayne gownes of skarlett furred and lyned, w^t gray amys⁴ w^t broade weltes⁵ of velvett.

Trayne gownes of violett in grayne furred and lyned w^t gray amys w^t broade weltes of velvett.

Gownes of murrey⁶ in grayne or other fyne clothe w^t purfulls⁷ or gardes⁸ of velvett blacke or lawne [fine linen cambric], and cufes of velvett at handes.

Kyrtills⁹ of damaske satten chamlett and worsted withe iij weltes of velvett upon them.

Peticotes of scarlett and other fine redd w^t a belt of redd velvett.

FOR THE ATTYER OF THERE HEDDES.—Bonettes of velvett, mynever [grayish fur] cappis, atyer of fyne lawne, hattes of silke throme, crest cappis and rownde cappes of velvett.

Partlettes¹⁰ for there neckes of velvett w^t buttens of golde enamyled and partlettes of lawne.

Girdelles of sylver and gylte called harnes gerdelles sett w^t stone and perle and other goldsmythes worke enamyled, tache¹¹ hookes of sylver and gold enamiled and sett w^t stone and perle, and the lace of goldsmythes worke, gyrdells of silke imbossed w^t silver, greate pynes¹² of silver and gold enamiled, purses of velvett and silke.

¹ *I.e.*, the foundation of it.

² A coarse material.

³ Turning down of material, hem or edging.

⁴ Trimmings or facings.

⁵ Ruffs for the neck.

⁶ Pins.

⁷ Puce, which is explained as *sea*-coloured.

⁸ Amice, covering for the head and shoulders.

⁹ Dark red colour (mulberry colour).

¹⁰ Jackets.

¹¹ Tache, a clasp.

About there necke a chayne of golde and dothe (sic) were braslettes and ringes, some of more waight and some of lesser waight.

A gowne of crymson in grayne furred w^t fytche¹ or faced w^t Saint Thomas worsted or satten of Sypris.

THE APPARRELL OF THE SHREVES AND BAYLIEFES.—A gowne of violett in grayne furred and faced, the like furre and silke.

Other gownes furred with badger, foxe, and lame.²

Jackettes or coates of satten chamlett or worsted garded with velvett.

Dublettes³ of satten or wosted.

Hattes of sylke throme.

Hosse of fyne clothe playne.

Girdills and garters of silke.

SHREVES AND BAYLIFFES WIEVES.—Clothe gownes of crymsen in grayne, some lyned, with gray amys, and some w^t silke for the somer, w^t purfulls and gardes of velvett and cufes of velvett.

Other clothe gownes purfelyd w^t velvett and lyned w^t wosted: kyrtills of chamlett wested and suche lyke w^t weltes of velvett on them. Partlettes of velvett w^t buttons and clapsis of gold enamiled and partlettes of lawne. Gyrdells of silver and gilte called harnes gyrdells and other goldsmythes worke enamyld, tache hankes⁴ of sylver and gold enamyld, greate pynnes of sylver, purses of velvett and other silke. Chaynes, brastlettes, and ringes of gold of dyvers waighes, some of more and some of less waight.

Thomas Beckingham, late of the towne of Suthampton, alderman, for truthe declarethe that all thinges before said in these thre severall descriptions before going towching the auncient apparrell of the maior, shreve, and bayliffes and there wifes, and every of them, is of a truthe, and have byn tyme out of mynde used to be by them worn, for that he is of the age of lxx yerres, or thereabouts, and hathe byn a dweller and trader to the said towne of Suthampton by the space of xlv yerres, and hymselfe hath been maior and borne all the offices forsaid,⁵ and by reason therof he and his wief hathe worne the same.

¹ Polecat.

² Lamb.

³ Doublet, close-fitting vest.

⁴ Clasp handles.

⁵ Thomas Beckingham, Sheriff 1545, Mayor 1547.

The explanatory notes on this interesting entry are taken, by the kind permission of the Rev. J. Silvester Davies, from his *History of Southampton*, p. 236.

A.D. 1577.

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Title: **Cutthorn:** Curia legalis dominæ reginæ tenta apud Cutthorn prædictam pro villa et comitate Southamptonæ coram Johanno Ayles majore villæ prædictæ ac Aldermanis et discretis ejusdem, pro termino post Hocketweddaye secundum antiquam consuetudinem ejusdem villæ, anno regni dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ dei gratia Angliæ, ffranciæ, et Hiberniæ reginæ fidei defensoris etc decimo nono.¹

Mayor (1576-77): John Ayles.

Jurors:

John Jackson	David Morell	John Elzey
Robert Moore	Andrew Studley	Alixander Peinton
Richard Biston	Richard Waterton	Lawrence Groce
Richard Goddard	John à Deane	Richard Etner
William Singleton		

Free Suitors:

The Prior of God's House	Heirs of Richard Hawkins
The Warden of New College	William Capelin
The Presentator of St. Mary's	Heirs of Walter Baker
Edward White	„ Henry Huttofte
George Pawlet	—— Bannister
Richard Knight	Richard Goddard
John Capelin	Reginald Howse
John Croke	Heirs of Lawrence Sendie
Nicholas Capelin	„ Thomas Fleming
William Staveley	Barnard Courtmill
Heirs of Edward Wilmot	Richard Daie
(inf. aet.)	Andrew Stoudlie
John Gregory	Wardens of S. Lawrence's
Heirs of George Mille	John Ayles
„ Thomas Mille	Hugo Darvall
Thomas fflashin	Heirs of John Comerland
Thomas Chaffin	„ Thomas Fuller
Gerard Marine	„ Richard Eston

¹ For Translation cf. 1566. Hock Tuesday was April 28rd, and the Court Day, April 30th, 1577.

Free Suitors—continued.

Richard Baylie	Lawrence Williams
Heirs of Thomas Casbarde	Richard Etner
„ John Briget alias	John Favor
„ Vovert	Mathew Mahalt
„ Roger Delacourt	Henry Macie
John Bullicar	Lawrence Groce
William Nutshawe	Denis Rowse
Thomas Weldon	Thomas Graunt
James Eling	Michael Graunt
Robert Knaplock	John Jackson
Peter Janverin	Richard Biston

NOTE.—Of these fifty-six Free Suitors, twenty-six are dotted (.) as present. There is a subsequent list of fourteen who are fined 3d. each for making default. Thus sixteen are neither marked as present nor fined as absent.

“STALL AND ART” LISTS.

PARISH OR WARD.	NAMES.	PAYMENTS.	TOTAL.
I.—“Holliroodes”	65 ...	From 2d. to 6/8 ...	£3 . 9 . 7
II.—“St. Lawrence”	26 ...	„ 2d. „ 6/8 ...	£1 . 13 . 6
III.—“All Sainots within the Barre”	36 ...	„ 2d. „ 6/8 ...	£1 . 12 . 8
IV.—“All Sainots without the Barr”	37 ...	„ 2d. „ 5/- ...	£1 . 9 . 4
V.—“St. Mighele and St. Jones”	135 ...	„ 2d. „ 20/- ...	£6 . 19 . 8
VI.—“Bag Rowe and East Streate”	37 ...	„ 2d. „ 2/- ...	£0 . 13 . 0
	<u>336</u>		<u>£15 . 17 . 9</u>

PRESENTMENTS.**1.—Excessive Consumption of Wood.**

“Item we p^rsent that althoughe we have heertofore div^{ers} tymes complaynid of the greate decay of woode by the greate consuminge of the same by the salt house at the West Key, but cheeffelie by the excessive cariadge away of the same by shippes & barcks out of the west conterie & other places w^{ch} continuallie

doo lade & carie o' saide p^rovission of woode from the haven of hamble & biesseldon w^{ch} in tyme to com & that eir yt be long will turne the Inhabitaunts of this towne to great chardgs by Rissing of the prissee w^{ch} all Redie exceedithe & more will excede onlesse speedie Remedie thearein be p^rovided, whearefor we Dess^re yt may be throughlie considerid of." (For consumption of wood at the Salthouse cf. 1576, § 1).

2.—The Brewers to provide Filling Beer.

"Item we p^resent that the bruers nor none of them doo bring to their coustomers filling beere as they ought to doo & as they weare gyven in comandement the last laweday, whearefore they have forfeit their paine w^{ch} ys £4 a peece, be yt comandid vnto them that from hence forth the said bruers & ev^{er}y of them doo bring filling beere vnto ev^{er}y of their coustomers vppon paine of £10, w^{ch} we dessier throughlie considerid of for that continuall plaint ys made vnto vs." (Cf. 1576, § 5).

3.—The Butchers for Killing Calves.

Presentment similar to 1576, § 3.

4.—The Bouney in East Street not repaired.

Similar to 1576, § 8. The dwellers in the houses on the north side of the East Street have forfeited 3¼. The bouney is to be repaired by St. James's day on pain of 5/-.

5.—John Netley commanded to make a Bouney.

"Item we p^resent that John netlet hathe a sincke issuing out of his house into the orchard lane w^{ch} greatlie anoyethe the highe way theare abouts, whearefore be yt comaundid vnto him to make a bouney to convey his saide wat^r into the ditche of the late cornelis poindexter in suche sorte as the saide highway be no more anoyed by St. James day next vppon payne of 20/-." (Cf. 1576, § 9).

6.—Rubbish to be cleared away from the East Street end of Orchard lane.

"Be yt comandid vnto the said John netley and other the Inhabitants theare abouts to Ridd and carie away the filthe and soyle of their houses and gardins w^{ch} liethe at the said Orchard lanes end by St. James day next, and to ley no more theare for that yt ys noysom & hurtfull to the highe way vppon payne of 3¼."

7.—Poindexter's Bouney and Ditch not made.

Mathew Faver, who was commanded to repair the ditch last year, has forfeited 5/-. To be done by St. James's day on pain of 20/-. (Cf. 1576, § 9).

8.—Mr. Lambert's highway and ditches.

The highway by St. Mary's churchyard is to be gravelled by St. James day and the ditch under the wall of his coniger [rabbit warren] towards the street to be repaired by Michaelmas next on pain of £5. (Cf. 1576, § 10, to which, with its penalty of £6, no reference is made in this presentment. For that matter see below, 1577, § 59).

9.—A Pig Sty built on the Highway by Percival Naylor to be removed.

"Be yt comaundid vnto p^{re}cevall nayler to take downe a styte for swine by him bylt vppon the heighe way joyninge to his house by St. James day next vppon payne of 5/-."

10.—Heap of Rubbish in the East Street

to be removed by Mrs. Butler by St. James's day under pain of 3/4.

11.—Heap of Rubbish near Nicholas Caplin's Orchard

to be removed by St. James's day under pain of 6/8.

12.—The Bouney beyond Canshot still not Repaired.

The owners of the ground, who were commanded last year to cleanse the ditch and bouney, have forfeited 20/-. The repairs are to be done by Michaelmas next on pain of 40/-. (Cf. 1576, § 15).

13.—Posts to be Set along the Ditches in Canshot Lane.

"Item we present that for want of postes of timber or stones to be set in the ground downe the highe way by the diches syde in caneshut lane the carts dryve into the saide diches to the greate decay of the saide way & ditche whearefore we dess^{re} yt may be amendid."

14.—The Watering Place towards Hill to be Cleansed.

Identical with 1576, § 16.

15.—Conduit Heads decayed.

Similar to 1573, § 16. (Cf. also 1576, § 18).

16.—The Dangerous Hole and Defective Ditch in Gosling Lane.

Practically identical with 1576, § 17. The penalty of 20/- is forfeited and a penalty of 40/- threatened.

17.—The Hole in Gosling Lane not yet filled up.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the pitt at the vpp^{er} end of goseling lane wher the gravell was diggid ys not yet throughelie fillid by the skavinger whearfore be yt comandid vnto him to continewe his cariadge of soile thither vntill yt be filled & levelid." (Cf. 1576, § 19).

18.—The Ditch and Bouney near Padwell.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the diche alongest the causey leading from Jⁿ a guernezey's crosse [Padwell Cross] towards & to w^m butchers gate ys not escourid neither the boney of the said w^m fev^{er}ell, butcher, escourid nor Ridd, whearefore be yt comandid vnto him to escower and ridd his boney & ditche in suche sorte as the wat^{er} may have his free course along the other diche and not to stand & break in on the saide causey from hence foorth by barthelmewe day next vppon paine of 5/-." (Cf. 1576, § 48).

19.—Encroachment by Mr. Chaffin and by Mr. Thomas Hoskins.

"Item we p^{re}sent that they wth hold the lands of Mr. Chaffin neere to w^m butchers have encrochid and taken ground of the townes, whearof they have made a wat^{er}ing place for the cattell, whom we dess^{re} may be callid beefore yo^r worships to acknowledge the same to be and ap^{pe}teyne vnto the towne, and the lyke doon by thomas hoskins also who hathe encrochid in like sort in the next crosse saving one to the same, least in tyme to come they doo claime the said ground for their owne." (Cf. 1575, §§ 44, 45 and 77; and 1577, § 30).

20.—The Highway from Padwell to the Common in Decay.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the highe way leading from Jⁿ a g^{uer}nezeys crosse into the heathe is decayed and needefull to be amendid wth we dess^{re} to be donne in tyme for avoiding of great^{er} chardges." (Cf. 1575, § 23).

21.—Ditches near Padwell to be amended by Mr. Richard Knight and Mr. Peter Janverin.

"Item we p^{re}sent that m^r Ric. Knight's diches & peter Janverin's diches arre not escourid along his ground by padwell

wheareby the waie & townes grounde is decayed, whearefore be yt comaundid vnto him or to whom yt dothe ap^{er}teyne to escow^{er} his said diche so as the wat^{er} may have his free course downe Rogesden lane as yt ought to have by mighelmas next vppon paine of 40/-." (Cf. 1576, § 21).

22.—Rockstone Lane in Decay.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the diche latelie made in Rogesden lane for the conveying of the wat^{er} course from padwell is decayed & nedefull to be amendid w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be lookid vnto in time so as the wat^{er} may have a courant passadge and the highe waie theare to be amendid w^{ch} is also in decay." (Cf. 1576, § 21).

23.—Ditch at the Upper End of St. Mary's Lane to be Repaired.

"Be yt comaunded vnto Thomas brooker or to whome yt dothe ap^{er}tene to make a diche at the vpper end of St. maries lane neere to Jⁿ a g^{ar}nezey his crosse on the west side of the saide lane so as the water have his course towards and vnto stony close and so as the wat^{er} come no more or break out into the highe way by mighelmas next vppon paine of 20/-." (Cf. 1576, § 37).

24.—Highway from Houndwell to Padwell decayed.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the highe waie from houndwell crosse to John a g^{ar}nezey's crosse ys in decay and needefull to be amendid w^{ch} we dess^{re} may be repaired in tyme for avoiding of greater chardges." (Cf. 1575, § 23).

25.—John Sedgewick's ditch in St. Mary's Lane.

"Be yt comaundid to John sedgewick to escower his diche alongest his ground of the Kings land in the lane leading from St. maris towards Jⁿ a garnezey's crosse by mighelmas next vppon payne of 6/8."

26.—Richard Rosse's Slaughter House and Sink.

Practically identical with 1576, § 23. Rosse has forfeited £4. To be amended by Michaelmas on pain of £6.

27.—The Ditch near St. Mary's Church to be railed by Mr. Turner.

Mr. Turner has not obeyed the order of 1576, § 42. Therefore he is fined 10/-, and is ordered to do the work by St. James's day.

28.—The Brickmaker to fill up his Claypits.

Presentment similar to 1576, § 49. William Dymer has forfeited 6'8 and will be fined 20/- if he has not obeyed the order of the Court by Michaelmas.

29.—Watch and Watchbells.

Similar to 1574, § 47, with the addition—"As we have often tymes heer to fore made Request that ev^{er}y housholder (vnder suche degre or office as yo^r wo^rships shall thinck best of) should watche in p^{ro}per p^{er}son or at the least p^{ro}vide a good honest & able watcheman in his place for the more suertie & saffe garde of this towne & also that the Castell watche bell should be Ronng orderlie in answering of the watch tower bell as yt hathe byn accostomid in time past, w^{ch} nowe ys altogither neclectid & left vndone, whearefore we crave & dess^{ire} of yo^r worships throughlie to consider of yt that better watche may be had in time to come. And also we have thought good to put yo^r wo^rships in Remembraunce of a third watche bell to be placed & hangid at the corn^{er} of the house or leads vnder w^{ch} John wakelen nowe dwellithe, so that the watche w^{ch} continuallie theare sittithe should in answering of the other watches Ring the said bell ordelie, w^{ch} as we thinck wolde doo very well & of small chardge to the towne." (Cf. 1575, § 60, and 1576, § 34).

30.—Encroachment by Thomas Hoskins.

"Item we p^{re}sent that thomas hoskins hathe enrochid vppon the townes ground wth his brick wall & pale on the southe p^{ar}te of his dwelling house wthout the barr gate whearefore he ys to be am^{er}ced." (Cf. 1577, § 19).

31.—Ditches, etc., near Bargate to be kept clean.

"Item that none kepe hoggs there abowt [*i.e.*, near Bar Gate] nor cast any soyle into the diches therabowt and tha^t th^e soyle of th^e stables and garden diches therabowt be escowred and caried awai from tyme to tyme vppon payne of 3/4 for everye default."

32.—Sampson Thomas's Filthy Brewhouse Water.

"Item we p^{re}sent that sampson Thomas beer bruer doothe suffer the washing of his caske to be throwen in the gutt^{er} in the streete beefore his doore w^{ch} liethe theare stincking to the greate

anoyance of the Inhabitants theare abouts and others passing that way whearefore he ys to be am^{er}sed in 10/- and be yt farther comaundid vnto him from hence foorth the not to vsse or suffer the like vppon paine of 40/-."

33.—Lack of Lodging for Foot Travellers.

"Item we p^{re}sent that complaint ys made vnto vs in this present sitting by the biddels w^out the gate that foot men canne get no lodging in the tiplers houses theare wheareof we dess^{re} that order may be taken thearefore."

34.—The Cobblers use Bad Leather.

"Item we p^{re}sent that the coblers of this towne doo vsse slytting lether & suche as ys neither well tannid not well covreid [curried] & often tymes all Redd as yt comithe from the tann^{er} w^{ch} is not to be sufferid whearefore we dess^{re} redresse may be had for the same." (Cf. 1576, § 68).

35.—Overseers of Leather to be appointed.

"And also that yt wolde please yo^r worships to take suche order wth the sealers of leather that from hence foorth they nor none of them doo seale eny but suche as ys well and suffitiently tannid for by that meanes the Inhabitaunts of this towne be very often deceavid and that theare may be 2 speciall men appointid for the vewe and ov^{er}seeing of the well coureng [currying] of lether wthin this towne and countie."

36.—Stephen Bartew's Wall not yet repaired.

Similar to 1576, § 87. Stephen Bartew has forfeited 20/-. The repairs to be done by St. Bartholomew's day on pain of 40/-.

37.—Rubbish at Anderson's Garden Door near the Castle.

Anderson is commanded to take his rubbish to the Saltmarsh by midsummer next on pain of 3/4.

38.—Refuse in Town Wall Tower.

John Sedgewick, not having obeyed 1576, § 29, is fined 10/-, and is commanded to remove his rubbish to the Saltmarsh by midsummer next on pain of 13/4. (Cf. 1576, § 29).

39.—Rubbish to be removed to the Saltmarsh by Mrs. Bell and Roger Holliday.

"Item we p^rsent that theare ys at thends of M^r. bell and Roger hollydaies gardins beehinde the walls a heape of weedes and parings of gardins & other soyle, whearefore they be to be am^rced 12d. and be yt farder comaundid vnto them to carie the same away into the salt m^rshe by midsom^{er} next vppon paine of 2'6."

40.—Rubbish to be removed to Salt Marsh by Mr. FAVOR
by Midsummer on pain of 6/8.

41.—Rubbish near God's House to be removed to the Salt Marsh by Mr. French,

"and caried into salt m^rshe in the pits theare by midsom^{er} next vppon paine of 2/-."

42.—Rubbish not to be cast into the Sea.

"Item we p^rsent that theare ys a heape of donng cast ov^{er} the wall (or late bulwarck at gods house gate) w^{ch} ys a great noyance and also a decay to o^r haven w^{ch} we dess^{ire} may be lookid vnto, not onely in that place but also beehind the george & other placs & that none from hence foorth doo cast eny thinge into the sea or at the sea syde that may doo hurt to the saide haven vppon paine of 5/- a pece."

43.—Decay of the Town Walls.

"Item we p^rsent that the towne wals in most placs about this towne do decay & more will decay by the sufferaunce of yvye, elders & suche other weedes to growe on them w^{ch} we thinck very nessessarie to be lookid vnto."

44.—Decay of the Sea-banks, Bulwarks and the Weather-house.

"Item we p^rsent that the bancks by the sea syde going to ytchin ferry beeneathe the bulwarck ys in great decay & verry needefull to be lookid vnto & Repairid out of hand. Also the bulwarck & the weather house¹ by the ferry is nedefull to be lookid vnto & amendid."

¹ The Cross House, cf. Davies's Southampton, p. 110.

45.—The Bailiff's Booth and Banks near Chapel in Decay.

"Item we present that the bayliffs boothe by the chappell ys almost spoylid & eaten vnto the verry foundation wth the force of the sea w^{ch} is very needfull to be lookid vnto & also along from thence to the chappels end, otherwise in tyme yt will be great chardges for the towne to deffend the same." (Cf. 1576, §§ 11 and 39).

46.—Mr. John Caplin's Bouney not yet made.

Mr. Caplin has not obeyed 1576, § 38, and therefore has forfeited 13/4. The bouney is to be made by Michaelmas next on pain of 20/-. (Cf. 1576, § 38).

47.—Highways and Ditches from St. Mary's to Chapel.

Identical with 1576, § 39. Mr. Caplin has forfeited 13/4. To be amended by Bartholomewtide on pain of 20/-.

48.—Mr. John Caplin's House.

Practically identical with 1573, § 21. (Also cf. 1576, § 40).

49.—The Depositing of Rubbish on the Salt Marsh.

Practically identical with 1574, § 48. (Cf. also 1576, § 36).

50.—The Brewers not to dig clay in the Salt Marsh.

Barnard Courteney, John Lefavor, Robert Russell, Sampson Thomas and Michael Grant have forfeited 10/- each. Next offence 20/-. (Cf. 1576, § 12).

51.—Towers near the East Gate in decay.

"Itm we p^rsent that the first & second tower next adjoining to east gate over agaynst Mr. Janvryns & Mr. Grygoryes back side ar very much decayed & lyke to fall yf yt be not shortlye amendid w^{ch} we desire yo^r worshipps to consider of."

52.—Gutters on the East of the High Street.

Similar to 1576, § 32. Mr. Favor has forfeited 20/-. The gutters to be repaired by Michaelmas on pain of 30/-.

53.—God's House Green injured by Mr. Favor.

Practically identical with 1576, § 13. Forfeiture of 10/-. Next offence 20/-.

54.—Ditch in Orchard Lane to be made by Barnard Courtmell.

"Be yt comaundid vnto Barnard courtmell to make a diche beetwixt his crosse in the orchard lane and the said lane for that for want of a diche the water breakithe into the highe waye to the greate decay of the said way by mighelmas next vppon payne of 10/-."

55.—Rubbish near God's House Green.

"Be yt comaundid vnto william nutshawe to ridd and carie away the weedes at his garden doore neere gods house greene by midsomer next vppon paine of 3/4."

56.—The Fishy Water of Robert Cross.

"Item we p^rsent that Robard Crosse hathe cast out at his back doore by the castell butts & continvallie castithe out his fyshe water theare wth ys not to be sufferid for yt ys so noysom & filthie a savo^r that no man ys able to abyde theare neither to shute [shoot] or staye theare whearefore he is am^esed 3/4 & be yt farder comaundid vnto him from hence foorth the not to water eny fishe in his dwelling house in the highe streete more or lesse vppon payne of 20/-." (Cf. 1574, § 74, and 1577, § 73).

57.—The Fishy Water of John Harrison.

Similar to the last. He annoyed Peter Janverin and others, hence forfeiture of 3/4. Next offence 10/-. (Cf. 1574, § 74).

58.—The Fishy Water of John Addison.

Similar to the presentments above, §§ 56 and 57. Forfeiture of 3/4. Next offence 5/-.

59.—Mr. Lambert's Rails and Ditches not yet done.

Similar to 1573, § 3. Mr. Lambert has forfeited £6. To be done by Michaelmas on pain of £8. (Cf. 1576, § 10, and 1577, § 8).

60.—John Symond's Stiles not yet made.

Similar to 1576, § 28. Mr. Symonds has forfeited 6/8. The stile to be amended by Bartholomewtide on pain of 10/-.

61.—A Turn-stile to be made at the Bar-gate.

"Itm we p^rsent that trustram Russell and John mayor do carye ther donng & soile into the dytch behinde the George

w^{ch} is anoyannce to the dwellers ther abouts & to such as passe therby, we have taken them wth the manu^r & yt is to be supposed that ther be dyvers others that make the lyke defaulte, wherfor they & ev^{ry} of them ar to be am^{er}sid in 12d. a pece. And be yt comaunded vnto them to brynge no more of the soyle thyther vpon payn of 3/4. And for the better avoyding of that inconvenyence we thincke yt good that ther were a torne pyke made in the dore in the stone waull wthowt the barr gate so as they may not so convenyently passe wth ther barowes as now they do & so to be devysed as the hoggs may also by the same be kept owte, & yet the passage for people contynewed, w^{ch} we refer to yo^r wo^rshipps good considerracions." (Cf. 1571, § 38).

62.—A ditch near God's House to be railed by John Favor and William Nutshaw.

"Be yt Comaunded vnto John favo^r & William nutshaw to sett some rayles or sleight hedge on ther dytche at ther garden ends wthowt godshowse or otherwyse reasonably to fyll them vpp for that as they be now they ar very daungerous for cattell yf any should fall therin & that yt be don on thys syde St. James tyde next vpon payne of 10/-."

63.—The Porters to remove their refuse to the Salt Marsh.

"Be yt comaunded vnto the porters to rydd & Carye away ther donnge at ther stable dore by the wall into salt m^{as}he on this side St. James day next vpon payne of 3/4." (Cf. 1575, § 14).

64.—Refuse in Bugle Street to be carried away

by Swithin Delamagis on pain of 3/4.

65.—Heap of Refuse near the Alum Cellar.

"Item we p^{re}sent that ther is a noysome dongehill made agaynst the wall by the allome seller, be yt comaunded vnto him or them that have made the same to rydd & carye away the same befor mydsomm^{er} next vpon payne of 10/-." (Cf. 1575, § 57).

66.—The stone stairs at the Water Gate in decay.

"Itm we p^{re}sent that the stone steres at the watergate & the keye heede on the west syde of the crane is in decay w^{ch} we dessire yo^r worshipps may be considered of & amendid in tyme lest in p^{ro}cesse of tyme yt growe to a farther ruyne wherby yt may be more chardegeable."

67.—The stairs leading up to the Wool House are in decay.

"Itm we p^resent that the steres leading vpp to the wolle howse loffe ar decayed w^{ch} yt may please yo^r wo'shipps to consider of."

68.—Refuse without Biddlegate

to be removed before Midsummer on pain of 2/6.

69.—Refuse on Castle Green

to be removed by William Lynch before Midsummer on pain of 12d.

70.—Refuse on Castle Green

to be removed by Thomas Vaughan, Philip Martin, and Richard Stoner before Whitsuntide on pain of 12d. each.

71.—The Butchers for Killing Cattle within the Town.

Practically identical with 1575, § 5. (Cf. also 1576, § 4).

72.—Refuse on Castle Green

to be removed by Robert Cross, John Delyle, and John Bavoys by St. James's day on pain of 2/- each.

73.—The Fishy Water of Robert Crosse once more.

"Itm we p^resent that Robert Crosse doth vse to throwe downe his noysome & fylthye stincking fyshe water owt at his back gardeyne dore downe the Castle hill by the butts & such abundunnce therof & so comanly don as yt hathe wooren awaye a great p^rte of thearthe downe the hill side & lyeth ther very fylthye & noysom in the bottome of the hill betwen the butts wherfor he is to be am^rcid. And be yt comanded vnto him to amende the same & not to bring or cast any more ther vpon payne for ev^{er}y tyme he shall offende therin to forfeyte ——" [amount not stated]. (Cf. 1577, § 56).

74.—Heap of Refuse in the Ditch near East Gate.

"Item we p^resent that the towne dicke next vnto the east gate at northe end ys continvallie fillid vpp wth Rubbidge & other soyle not onelie to the annoyaunce of the walkers & goers that way but also the Decay & filling vpp of the saide Ditch, w^{ch} ys not to be sufferid & we have div^{ers} tymes spoken & complainid of the same & namelie the last yeere the Inhabitauncs theare abouts weare paynid to carrie the said soyle from thence in 10/- & yet nothing donne w^{ch} we dess^{ire} may be redressed." (Cf. 1576, § 33).

75.—Encroachment by John Brooker in the Highway above the Bar.

"Item we p^resent thomas brooker hathe encroched vppon the toun ground in the highe way above the barre 2 foot & more without his howsse whearefor he ys to be callid befor you & be yt comaundid vnto him to take in his saide encrochement by mychallmas next vppon payne of — — —" [no sum mentioned].

76.—Lists of Tiplers and Undertenants

presented by Bidells.

77.—False Weights and Measures.

Fifty-three persons fined sums varying from 2d. to 33/4. In the list are also included the names of various brewers who are heavily fined for having "humber barrells" too small, viz., Robert Russell £20, Sampson Thomas £20, Barnard Courtmell £20, Michael Grant £10.

78.—Sanitary Matters

to be attended to by John Harrison and Walter Earl, who annoy Peter Janverin. (Cf. 1571, § 66).

79.—The Glovers and their Skins.

Richard Hoskins fined 20d. for putting his skins in the ditch at Houndwell. Next offence 3/4. (Cf. 1575, § 11).

80.—Robert Russell's Sink above the Bar.

"Be yt Comandid vnto Robt. russell to rydd, clense & eskoure his syncke in his howse above the barr next adjoining to Jefferey wyetts howse for that yt is very noysome & hurtefull to the wall of the said Jefferey w^{ch} by soking into the same in shorte tyme ys lyke vtterly to decaye yt & that yt be don & p^rfectyd by mydsom^{er} next vpon payne of 10/-."

81.—The Hiring and Marking of Horses.

"Itm we request & earnestlye desire as we have don heretofore & as we thincke yt most best & necessarye for th^e vse & good s^rvyce of th^e inhabitaunts of this towne & all others that trade & frequent to & fro this towne that none from hensforth do kepe any horse beast to sell or lett to hyer but such as ar s^rvyceable & able to carye a man in his Journey . . . & also that none of the hacken^y men shall putt any horse beast into

the Comon befor he be ma^rkid wth the townes m^ake by the dryvers” Every horse hirer to forfeit 20/- every time he refuses to let out his horse on hire. (Cf. 1576, § 22).

82.—Barnard Courtmell's Building and Nicholas Roche's ancient Light.

“Item we p^resent that barnard cortmill contrary to the auntient & Lawdable customs of this towne tyme out of mynd vsid, hath bylt vppe agaynst the Auntiant Lyghts of nicholas Roche by reason wherof fyve of the Lyghts of the same Roche is stopt vppe to the great hinderance & damage of the said Roche wherfore he is to be amersid at 40/-. And be yt comandid vnto the said barnard cortmill to redresse the same on thissid the feast of St. michael tharkangel next vppon payne of £5, whiche anussans we desire to be espetiall rulid ov^{er} or otherweyes yt will growe to the great hindrance of the most parte of thinhabytants of this towne, & also his myll his to be Redressyd.” (Cf. 1576, § 83).

83.—Barnard Courtmell's Wood and Nicholas Roche's Wall.

“Also we p^resent that the said barnard cortmill hath pyllid his wood so nere the palle and walle of the said nicholas Roche that by reasone thereof he hathe bothe broken downe the palle & walle of the said nicholas, wherfor he is to be amersid in 5/-, and be yt comandid vnto the said barnard to amend the same & not from hence forthe to offend in the Leek vppon payne of £3 before the feast of St. mychaell tharkangle next.”

84.—Sanitary Matters

to be attended to by Walter Bennett before St. Bartholomew's day on pain of 13/4.

85.—Hogs kept within the Walls by George Barton.

“Itm we p^resent that georg barton doth kepe hoggs in a gardeyne he hath wthin the walls by beddells gate wth is very noysome & contrary to thorders of the towne wherfor he is to be amersid 3/4, be yt Comaundid to him to kepe no more ther vpon payne of to forfeyte 20/-.”

86.—The Rule concerning Ancient Lights.

Identical with 1576, § 83.

87.—The Wintners to use the Standard Measures of the Town.

Identical with 1576, § 84.

88.—Denis Rowse and Thomas Day's Claim.

The order of 1576, § 85, has not been obeyed, hence Rowse has forfeited £5, also he is required "to repayre & amende the back end of his howse w^{ch} is very ruynous & so decayed as yt leanyth vpon the howse of the said Th. daye to the great decay therof & lyke in short tyme to fall downe vpon the howse of the said Daye on thyssyde myhellmas next vpon payne of £10." (Cf. 1576, § 85).

89.—Mr. Rock's Ditch in Houndwell.

Practically identical with 1576, § 63. Mr. Rock has forfeited 20/-. To be done by Michaelmas on pain of 30/-.

90.—The Cost of Enclosing the Common.

"Be yt comaundid vnto the inhabitants of this towne & Lybertie that nowe dothe kepe any cattall vppon the Comon shall paye towards the chardge of thenclosinge of the said comon w^{ch} amounnteth to the some of fortie poundes, for ev^{ry} cowe that they nowe hath the one the comon 6d. & for ev^{ry} horsbeast . . . 12^d . . . vntill the said some of £40 be fully payed."

91.—The Cutting of Bushes on the Common forbidden.

"Be yt comandid that no maner of p^{er}son or p^{er}sons at any tyme hereafter cut any man^{er} of bushes yonge trees or thornes w^{ch} now growe or hereafter shall growe in or about the comons of this towne vppon payne of 6/8 for ev^{ry} tyme so offending for that theye be very necessary to be mayntaynid for the mugeshad [? damp, cool shade] of cattall."

92.—Assize of Wood and Coal not kept.

"Item we present that the assys of wood, colle & fagets is nothing at all kept by suche as bringeth the same to the towne to be sold according to the statute in that behalffe mad, nether in Lengeth nor bygnes w^{ch} shuld be Lokid vnto by the scretis [discreets or overseers] of the market wherof we praye redres." (Cf. 1575, § 6).

93.—Rules for the Bakers.

"Item we p^resent that the bakers dothe vse to bake & sell foure horseloves for a peny contrary to yo^r worshipps order & wheras ther horsebread according to the assyse by you geven shuld weye 5-lb. we fynd them to waye as fowllowethe, viz. at Thomas cartmylls 3 loves 28 ounces, Masses, 31 oz., John Mars, 35 oz., wherfore they arre to be amersid in 10/- per pece & be yt comaundid to them all to sell not above 3 Loves of horsebread for a peny & to kepe the assyse therof on payne of 20/-." (Cf. 1573, § 32).

94.—Marking Iron for the Cattle on the Common.

"Item we thinke yt very necessary that there be from tyme to tyme two burgeses appoyntid to have the custodie of the marking yeron for cattall, that non be put in the comon or marked befor they be vewed & allowid, & suche as do put in cattall to be sworn that they do not collerably put in the sam for any other p^rsones profit any wayes . . . vppon payne of 5/- for everie such offence." (Cf. 1566, § 28).

95.—Supervisors of the High Ways.

Eight supervisors of the repairs of the highways are (as in 1576) appointed. Only two of them (Paul Eliot and Thomas Brooker) were in the previous year's list. A note is added—"For repacions of w^{ch} highwayes the supervisors have aucthorytie to provyde for gravell by the statute near to the places wher suche repacons is to be done & to fyll the same agayne yf they digge in other mens grounde." (Cf. 1576, § 64).

96.—Mrs. Edmund's Gutter.

"Be yt comaundid vnto hughe dervall to repaire & amend hys gutter beetwixt hys house in the w^{ch} Thomas lombard taylor nowe dwellithe & mrs. Edmonds, widowe, hyr house beetwixt hyr said house & a kytchin bylt by the said hughe dervall adjoyning to hyr house wheare nev^{er} none was before, w^{ch} gutter the said mrs. Edmonds most maintaine & Repaire from hence forth according to thauncient costom of this towne & the said gutter to be made sufficient & leadid by St. James day next vppon payne of 40/-." (Cf. 1576, § 58).

97.—Francis Hobson to make his Fence.

"Be yt comaundid vnto ffranncs hobson to make hys fence beetwixt hys gardin & the gardin of walter earle in suche suffittient order as ys Requisyte by St. mychaell tharcangel next vppon payne of 5/-."

98.—Offenders against the Statute of Apparel.

"Item we present that concerning the statute of apparrell we fynde walter earle to ware gardes of velvat on his hosse, John delylls wyffe a peticot gardid [adorned, trimmed] wth vellat, martyne howes a gowne of norwyg worsted wth a brode byllyment [habiliment] Lace of sylke & his wyffe a hatte of taffitie Lynid wth vellat — — broughton a hatt Lynid wth vellat, John goddardes wyffe a hatt of taffitie Lynid wth vellat John mylls wyffe a cape of vellat & gardes [trimmings] in her gowne, John hoptons wyffe a taffytie hatt, Roger mylls wyffe a hatt of vellat, Andro harris a cloke Lynid wth tuftie taffitie, John markes a cloke wth cape of vellat wth divers others as we suppose offendeth the statutes in that behalfe p^{ro}vidid, the consideracon wherof we refer vnto yo^r worshipps."

99.—Brewers forbidden to use Iron Bound Carts.

"Item we desire that the brewers maye be comandid & forbydden to vse any more yeron bound cartes for that yt is a great decaye not only of the pavid streats but allso causith his bere to worke vpp in such sorte as his barrells semyth to be full when they are brought in & when they arr settellid they Lacketh some a gawne [gallon] of bere some more some Lesse to the Inrytching of the brewers & the great dessayt & hinderance of the inhabitants of this towne & espetially the poor wherof we pray redresse."

100.—Inquest of Weights and Measures by Jurors.

"Item we p^{re}sent that at suche tyme as the Lawdey [Court Leet] Jurie syttithe the Inholders, vinten^{ers}, bruers, bakers, victuallers & suche others as vsse waights & mesures doo p^{ro}vide all there things (as Casks, pots, waights & mesures) suche as arre agreable to the standerds & during the said tyme put asyde those things that arre faultie to the greate deceayte of thinhabitaunts of this

towne whearefore we dess^m that from hencefoorth the Authortie may be gyven vnto the foreman (for the tyme beeing) of the said Jurie & suche of his company as he shall or will call to attend on him to vewe, trye & examyn all the p^rmisses in as ampli mann^m as in the tyme of theire sytting for the better reformacon & amendment of suche faults as we Daylie see to growe."

101.—John Callaway retails Prunes.

"It. we p^rsent that John Callaway Retaylithe p^roynes [prunes] in his house contrarie to the frydom & orders of thys towne whearefore he ys to be am^rsed."

102.—Peter Woods retails Prunes.

"It. we p^rsent that one peeter woodes alient above the barr Retaylith proynes contrarie to all order whearefore he ys to be am^rced 12d. & that he do no more so vppon th^e payne of 5/-."

103.—The Wall by the Custom House needs Rails.

"Item we p^rsent that yt weare very necessarie that the wall by the costom house weare Raylid & palid as yt hathe bynne in tyme past for the more suer & secret keeping of the watchemen & theire talke, viz. the lower p^rte of the wall."

104.—John Andrews to make a Paling between his House and the Brew House of Michael Grant

by St. James's day on pain of 10/-.

105.—Shops to be provided in which the Fishmongers can water their Fish.

"Item we p^rsent that the fishmong^rm of this towne doo not water their fishe in the fishe m^rket as order was taken to be doone whearefor we thincke yt very good that theare weare 3 or 4 small shoppes buillded vnder the side of the wollen hawle & locks & keys to the same & that the Rent of the said shoppes may goo to the towne." (Cf. 1575, § 86).

106.—Cucking Stool not yet set up.

Identical with 1576, § 89.

107.—Robert Russell's Beer Barrels not filled.

"Item we p^resent that during this p^resente sitting we finde at James Elings two humber barrles of doble beare of Robert Russell's brewing, wherof thone lacked of being full 4 barred beere potts¹ & thother 6 of the said hoped potts of being full & also at John pudzeis one humber barrle w^{ch} lacked 4 hoped potts of being full & also at Raphe Robyns another of his humber barrles w^{ch} lacked of full 5 of the said potts measured by vs, wherfor he is to be am^ersid 2/6." (Cf. 1575, § 41).

108.—The Brewers to buy Wood that comes by Water.

Robert Russell, brewer, has bought wood on the 5th and 6th of June contrary to this statute and hence has forfeited 5/-. Next offence 40/-. (Cf. 1575, § 9).

109.—Unlawful Games at the King's Orchard.

Practically identical with 1576, § 55.

110.—Nicholas Berry continues to sell Beer too cheap.

Nicholas Borye continues to sell beer contrary to the accustomed measure and standards, hence he is fined 6/8. Next offence 10/-. (Cf. 1576, § 56).

111.—Suspected Unlawful Partnership.

"Itm we p^resent as we ar informed that Charles broughton is a great dealer & vehemently to be suspectid to be a p^artn^r in buying & selling wthin this towne wth Wm. Barwycke w^{ch} is contrary to the good orders of this towne & not to be sufferyd w^{ch} yt may please yo^r worships to consider of."

112.—Rubbish behind Mr. Crook's Wall

to be removed before St. James's day on pain of 3/4.

113.—The Overcharging of the Common.

Seven persons presented by the Cowherd, John à Deane. (Cf. 1576, § 52).

114.—More False Measures.

John Sedgewick is fined 13/4 and Mr. William Caplin 2/- for false measures.

¹ Barred or hooped pots were quart pots with bands at equal intervals.

115.—Yain Search for False Measures at John Errington's.

"Item we p^rsent that at J^r erryngtons we could fynde no wyne potts vnsealid, not wthstanding. we thincke ther were ther, as also in thother tavernes, many conveyed owt of o^r sightes & when we came thither we had evill language geven vs by M^rs. eryngton."

The book ends as usual with the names of the drivers of the Common and the overseers of the Common, and the signatures of the Jurors.

On the last page occur the words : "In the naem off god amen."

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